

The University of Manitoba
Sexual Violence Advisory Committee
Terms of Reference
September 20, 2022

Purpose:

Reporting to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) and the Vice-President (Administration), the Sexual Violence Advisory Committee (SVAC) is an institution-wide body comprising representatives from various stakeholder groups within the University community. The overall purpose of the SVAC is to provide advice to the University on matters related to sexual violence.

Mandate:

The mandate of the SVAC is to:

- Guide the development and implementation of a University strategy on sexual violence awareness, prevention, education, and response.
- Contribute to the periodic review of the University's policy on sexual violence
- Ensure the University remains compliant with relevant provincial legislation on sexual violence.
- Review and evaluate the University's sexual violence initiatives, programs, and supports to identify priorities for resource allocation consistent with the University sexual violence strategy.
- Review the activities of the Sexual Violence Resource Centre, offering advisement and support as required.
- Review sexual violence communications and promotional materials, and related reports.
- Review progress on work assigned to SVAC sub-committees, working groups, or project teams as required.
- Provide updates on its activities.

Membership:

Under the joint leadership of the Vice-Provost (Academic Affairs), the Vice-Provost (Students), and the Associate Vice-President (Human Resources), or their delegates, the membership of the SVAC includes:

- A representative from the Office of Human Rights and Conflict Management
- A representative from the Office of Legal Counsel
- A representative from the Office of the Vice-President (Indigenous) Executive Lead (Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion)
- A representative from the Marketing and Communications Office
- Executive Director (Office of Risk and Compliance)
- Executive Director, Student Support
- Director, Sexual Violence Resource Centre
- Director, Student Services at Bannatyne Campus
- Director, RESOLVE
- Campus Mental Health Facilitator

- An undergraduate student as identified by UMSU
- A graduate student as identified by UMGSA
- A faculty member from a Faculty/School/College at Fort Garry campus
- A faculty member from a Faculty/College at Bannatyne campus

Sub-committees, Working Groups, and Project Teams:

Standing sub-committees may be formed to address continuing issues (e.g., communications), along with ad hoc working groups and project teams created to deal with specific issues and/or initiatives. Each sub-committee, working group, or project team is responsible for ensuring its membership is diverse, drawing from the SVAC and the broader university community and consulting with appropriate constituencies across the University community and beyond. In addition, external experts may be consulted and/or invited to join sub-committees, working groups, or project teams.

Meetings:

Meetings will be held quarterly or at the call of the co-chairs.

Reporting:

The joint leads will report to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) and the Vice- President (Administration) quarterly.