



OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of Senate

FROM: Colin Russell, Registrar, and Chair, Senate Student Services Committee

RE: Senate Student Services Committee Year-End Report and Awards Report

DATE: April 17, 2024

During the 2023-24 academic year, the Senate Student Services Committee:

received information that The University of Winnipeg Admissions Office has updated the English Language Policy to accept the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) for UKVI format of the IELTS test. According to the British Council, IELTS for UKVI is a test created for UK visa purposes, designed to meet certain administrative requirements that are specific to the UK Visas and Immigration Division. There are no differences in the test format or questions from the IELTS Academic Test.

supported the adoption of an Authorized Leave Policy for International Students. This new policy outlines the process for international students to take an official leave of absence from their studies while complying with conditions of their study permit and maintaining eligibility for a post-graduation work permit. This policy will provide students with the support they need during difficult times or unforeseen circumstances that disrupt their studies and it will ensure that the University facilitates student compliance with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) regulations. The policy has been referred to the Policy Office for review.

on behalf of the committee, the Registrar presented to Senate lists of graduands for the June 2023, October 2023, and Fe

New Awards

Donald W. Beattie Templum Sion Lodge of Freemasons Award in the Master of Arts in Peace and Conflict Studies

Maureen and Hugh Taggart Scholarship in Theatre and Film

The 2022 U17 Female MSA Champions Scholarship

Bill Blaikie Award for Social Justice

Dr. Ken Atwal Collegiate Award