

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between  
Ontario College of Art & Design Faculty Association ("the Association")  
And  
OCAD University ("the University")  
(together referred to as "the parties")

Whereas the parties recognize the profound and essential value that diversity brings to the creation, reception and circulation of creative practices and discourse;

And Whereas the parties recognize that diverse creative practices and forms of knowledge are essential to, and enrich the institution's core mission and vision as an art and design university with a local and global scope;

And Whereas the parties are committed to employment equity;

Therefore, the parties have agreed on a without prejudice and without precedent basis:

1. The University shall post a cluster of four (4) tenured/tenure-track positions in the Faculty of Design for qualified Indigenous persons who self-identify as such during the hiring application process.
2. The Faculty of Design will indicate to the Vice-President, Academic & Provost their hiring needs in relation to this initiative and the faculty complement, in consideration of the factors outlined in article 23.1.2 of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).
3. Such posting shall reflect an open call without specific disciplinary knowledge and undertake a modified hiring process as outlined in Appendix A.
4. The posting will invite applicants to indicate the area or areas for which they wish to be considered within the Faculty of Design.
5. Hiring decisions shall be made upon the recommendation of the search committee and in accordance with the MOA. Such appointments shall be tenure-track unless the candidate holds a tenured appointment at other post-secondary institution.
6. The hiring commitment and process provided under these Minutes of Understanding shall be independent of and in addition to any tenured/tenure-track postings that may be established through the annual faculty complement planning process for the 2021-22 academic year.

Signed at Toronto, this 17th day of November, 2020.



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APPENDIX A

For the purposes of the open call for Indigenous Applicants: four (4) tenured/tenure-track appointments, the following modified hiring process shall be followed. All other aspects of the Memorandum of Agreement shall apply.

23.11.1 The hiring process for new Tenured faculty is conducted by the Dean of Faculty (or designate). In conjunction with Human Resources, the Dean of Faculty prepares a search plan for ~~each Tenured faculty position approved the clustered search, including an open position description and membership of the Search Committee~~. The Dean of Faculty then convenes a meeting of the Search Committee to determine appropriate advertising venues and search procedure to be followed, and incorporates these items into the search plan.

23.11.3 A “Targeted Indigenous Tenured Faculty Search Committee” consists of the following:

23.11.3.1 Dean of Faculty, or designate (Chair, non-voting, except in the case of a tie);

23.11.3.2 Associate Dean, or designate (voting);

23.11.3.3 2 Tenured faculty selected in accordance with Article 22.1;

23.11.3.4 1 student representatives from the Home Faculty selected by the Chair (voting); and

23.11.3.5 1 additional OCAD U faculty member internal or external to the Faculty may be added at the discretion of the Committee for diversity and/or specific expertise (voting).

This search committee will include Indigenous faculty and student representation to the extent possible.

Note: as part of the interview process, the committee will consult with the chairs of each program about the committee's long list and short-lists