



OCAD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS'
BY-ELECTIONS 2024
PERMANENT STAFF PROFILES

Candidates are listed alphabetically by last name.

Melody Bogin

With roughly 20 years of experience in arts and education, Melody Bogin became Coordinator, Faculty Engagement and Records at OCAD University's Faculty of Arts and Science in 2023. As a former private school manager, she led the institution through the COVID-19 pandemic by developing and implementing its critical health and safety policies and communications. Melody's expertise spans academic leadership, strategic planning, and human resources. A committed DEI advocate and DEI committee founder, she holds a degree in Art History and English Literature from the University of Toronto and furthered her expertise in DEI business strategy at the University of Cambridge.

Kelsie Lawson

I am currently the Executive Assistant to the Dean of FAS, bringing 7+ years of experience in education, administration, and leadership, and degrees in statistics and business administration. As such, I have a strong understanding of institutional policy development, budget management, and staff support in diverse settings. My global experience, including leading teams abroad, enables me to understand and empathize with cultural differences and reinforces my commitment to collaboration and innovation. I am ready to serve the OCAD University community on the Board of Governors and continue supporting an environment for 'creating a joyful, equitable and sustainable world.

Annie Yan

Annie is the Student Engagement & Records Coordinator at the Faculty of Arts and Science, where she focuses on student engagement and retention strategies. She believes that every student's journey is integral to the long-term success and growth of the institution. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Cognitive Science from the University of Toronto and deepened her expertise in higher education with a Master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania. Outside of work, she enjoys climbing and currently serves on the Ontario Climbing Federation High Performance Committee.