

**FACULTY:**  
**Health Sciences Constituency**

(TWO acclaimed)

The following faculty members have been acclaimed to membership on Senate in the Health Sciences Constituency for the July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028 term.

1. **GARNETT, Anna** – Associate Professor, Nursing
2. **KIRKWOOD, Kenneth** – Associate Professor, Health Studies

Candidate statements are provided below.

<b>GARNETT, Anna</b>	<b><i>Associate Professor Nursing</i></b>
<p>I am seeking election to University Senate representing the Faculty of Health Sciences. As an Associate Professor in the Arthur Labatt Family School of Nursing since 2019, I bring extensive committee experience, interdisciplinary research expertise, and commitment to collaborative decision-making. My committee experience includes serving on the Health Sciences Research Ethics Board, faculty committees for national scholarship selection and aging and dementia care initiatives, and multiple school committees including graduate admissions, appointments, performance review, and curriculum development. I also provide service to the broader academic community through membership in scholarly societies and as Associate Editor of an academic journal. These experiences have given me insight into academic policy, program quality, and the impacts of university decisions on departmental and faculty-level operations. I believe faculty engagement is essential for the successful and representative functioning of the university. Senate decisions shape the educational experience and research environment for our entire community, and I want to help ensure these decisions reflect diverse perspectives and consider implementation realities. I would bring practical understanding of professional programs, clinical education, and applied research to Senate. I am committed to thoughtful governance upholding academic standards while fostering an inclusive, representative, and progressive academic environment.</p>	

**KIRKWOOD, Kenneth**

***Associate Professor  
Health Studies***

I have served on Senate previously, 2018-2020, and 2022-2024. I remember the value of the institution, and wish to participate in it again. In the best moments of Senate, important changes are put forward with an eye towards improving the functioning of Western for everyone involved in the academic mission. I contributed to that in the past, and will do so in the event that I am reappointed. I feel this way especially given the various challenges of the current environment, given the funding issues, the development of AI, and increasing demands that accommodations have on the functioning of examinations.

