

ACADEMIC ADVISORY CIRCLE

SKG's Academic Advisory Circle is a group of individuals appointed by SKG's board to provide guidance and advice to the board concerning SKG's academic mission and its services and supports to students.

Mandate of the Academic Advisory Circle

The Academic Advisory Circle (Circle) will make recommendations to SKG's board concerning:

- SKG's multi-year academic plan.
- New programs.
- Cessation of programs.
- The curriculum of programs.
- Standards of admission to programs.
- Graduation requirements of programs.
- Academic policies.
 - Without limiting the scope of academic policies, policies could address, for example, academic standing, grading, academic dishonesty, and appeal procedures.
- Academic staffing required for instruction in programs and courses of study.
- Services and supports for SKG students—including but not limited to academic, cultural, social, and wellness services and supports.
- Policies concerning scholarships and financial aid to students.
- Policies concerning non-academic matters affecting students (for example, a student code of conduct).

The board may request the Circle to provide advice on other matters.

The board may delegate decision-making authority to the Circle

Composition of the Academic Advisory Circle

The Circle will have no more than 15 members.

The Circle will include representatives of:

- Directors from SKG's board of governors;
- SKG's faculty and instructors;
- SKG's students;
- SKG's alumni; and
- Algoma University.

The Circle will also include:

- Elders and/or Anishinaabe knowledge keepers;
- Individuals with experience in teaching, research and/or administration in the university sector; and
- Individuals with experience in administration in the secondary school sector.

The Circle will also include ex officio members that are senior administrators of SKG, and SKG's librarian or archivist (if applicable).

Appointment of members of the Academic Advisory Circle

Members of the Circle must:

- Be of good standing and positive reputation in the Anishinaabe community, the wider community and SKG;
- Be committed to realizing the vision of Chief Shingwauk and the mission of SKG to be a Centre of Excellence in postsecondary education for Anishinaabe people; and
- Once appointed as a member, act in the best interests of SKG.

SKG's board will approve appointment of members of the Circle.

A member of the Circle will normally be appointed for a term of three years.

Appointments may be renewed for an unlimited number of terms.

The board may revoke an appointment of an individual who no longer meets the criteria for membership.

(This is an edited extract of SKG's policy GOV 03 Academic Governance.)