



# Orientation 2014 – 15 Assessment Results

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For: Academic Council

# Agenda

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# Responses

- 15 attendees
- 7 responses

# Form - Questions

Question	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	No Response
The program format was effective		2	5	
The information provided was relevant and useful		2	5	
The goals were met		1	5	1
The presenters were engaging		1	5	1
The presenters provided adequate time for questions and answered them effectively		1	6	
The program location was good	1	0	6	
Audio-visual equipment was used effectively	1	7		Note: 1 person ticked 2 boxes
The written materials were helpful and will be useful references in the future		1	3	3

# Qualitative Comments

- Most beneficial:
  - University governance principles and structure
  - Detailed explanation of UOIT Governance and role of AC
  - Discussions and clarification on democratic rules (book is a great resource).
  - Discussions with attendees from different units
  - I think putting the university in perspective in terms of the legislation as well as the clarification of the role of Academic Council and its committees relative to the Board of Governors and other bodies of the university.
  - The questions from other participants were also very helpful in clarifying many of the points Cheryl was making.
  - Clarifying the role of AC and relationship to the Board.
  - Clarifying the different policies and legislation which set the mandate and responsibilities of the Council
  - All
  - Liked the interactive discussion and the questions as we went along

# Qualitative Comments

- Least valuable/improvements:
  - Academic Council processes (I am familiar with these)
  - A similar orientation should be given to all new hires
  - Refreshments should be provided (2)
  - Rules of order could be better structured and keep it short as most people know this or split it into modules so people who know can skip it

# Qualitative Comments

Additional comments:

- This was very helpful – I would have liked to have this briefing at an early stage when I first joined UOIT
- As a new member of AC I found this information session very helpful. It provided an important overview of the governance process and principles at UOIT and how AC fits into that structure
- Enjoyed this initiative very much – thank you.
- Orientation should occur at the beginning of the Fall semester.
- Glad I attended. I think holding it right after AC is a great idea for time efficiency.
- Thank you very much for preparing this informative session.
- Have it earlier as part of new faculty orientation or hold an open session for faculty and maybe even staff? I know I get lots of questions from admin staff. The more information for all the better. Thank you!

# Comments

- **HOLD THE DATE:** Orientation, 2016 will be on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 immediately after Academic Council.
- We will offer the rules of procedure as a module so people can leave. We will shorten it.
- We have already started attending orientation day for new staff and giving a high level governance overview.
- Light refreshments will be available