

Proposed Graduate Academic Calendar Regulation NEW
Section – Student supervision
Conflict of interest in supervision
Academic Council – January 22, 2019

Rationale: The question regarding Conflict of Interest (COI) in supervision arose. Research shows that most regulations provide a brief overview and refer to the university's policies on COI in Research. We reviewed the university's policy and felt it important to reference it within the Graduate Academic Calendar for information within the "Student Supervision" section (below student-research supervisor conflicts).

Student supervision

Conflict of interest in supervision

The university's Conflict of Interest in Research policy states: "Conflict of Interest may take various forms and may arise in various contexts. Broadly speaking, a conflict of interest will exist whenever a university Member has an interest that adversely affects or provides an incentive to affect the Member's conduct of her/his University activities."

When a faculty member chooses to supervise a graduate student, they should be aware of the university's Conflict of Interest in Research Policy and must disclose any conflict of interest or perceived conflict of interest to the Dean of Graduate Studies.

The [Conflict of Interest in Research Policy](#) can be found in the university's policy library.