

[Brandon University Board of Governors](#)

**Board Members**

There are 17 Members appointed to this board. Only the following members are appointed through Lieutenant Governor in Council (LGIC):

Chair

Shawn Chambers, Winnipeg

Vice-Chair

Dr. Trudy Corbett, Brandon

Members

Jason Splett, Brandon  
Julee Galvin, Virden  
Katie Kerkowich, Brandon (bil.)  
Tami-Rae Rourke Clements, Brandon  
Wilfred Taylor, Minnedosa  
Brad Zander, Winnipeg

Student Members

Taylor Friesen, Brandon  
Adam Kowalchuk, Brandon

**Mandate:**

The Brandon University Board of Governors, established by *The Brandon University Act*, has the authority for governing Brandon University, and, as trustees, holds the University in trust for the people of the Province of Manitoba. The Board of Governors is a collective representing the entire community (both internal and external of the University), and is responsible for ensuring financial stability of the institution and for seeing that the overall plans of the institution are consistent with the institution's philosophy, goals, and financial resources.

**Authority:**

[The Brandon University Act](#)

**Responsibilities:**

General responsibilities include:

- appoint the president of the university and determine his or her term of office and remuneration;
- engage academic and other staff as required, determine their duties and conditions of employment, and set their salaries and honoraria;
- determine the administrative and academic organization of the university;
- establish programs, services and facilities to further the university's purposes and objects, either by the university alone or in co-operation with others;
- approve the granting of degrees, honorary degrees, certificates and diplomas;

- establish rules and procedures for the conduct of its own proceedings,
- exercise internal disciplinary jurisdiction over the non-academic conduct of students, including the power to expel or suspend for cause;
- buy/receive/sell/mortgage/lease real and personal property;
- borrow money required to meet ordinary expenditures;
- establish and collect all fees, tuition and all other charges to be paid to the university;
- ensure investment of university money;
- establish pension and other plans;
- enter into agreements or arrangements with other organizations

**Membership:**

There are 17 in total, 10 appointed by the LGIC (2 of whom are students), upon the recommendation of the Minister, as well as Chancellor, the President, 1 Alumni of the University elected by the Alumni Association, 2 members elected by the Senate of the University, and 2 student members appointed by the Brandon University Students' Union who are members of that council.

A Member of the board, other than a student member, must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident within the meaning of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada).

**Length of Terms:**

Members: up to 3 years per term (6 Year Max)

Students: 1 year term and can be reappointed

Chair: Elected by the Board

According to section 6(1) of the *Brandon University Act*, each member of the board is to hold office for no more than three years, beginning on July 1 of the year the member is elected or appointed and continuing until a successor is appointed or elected.

Members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, other than a student member, are to hold office for the term fixed in the order appointing the member, which may not exceed three (3) years. Those elected by the alumni association are to hold office for three (3) years, student members are to hold office for one (1) year, and a member elected by the senate is to hold office for two (2) years. This does not apply to the president and the chancellor of the university, who are members of the board as long as they remain president and chancellor.

According to Section 7: A member of the board whose term expires is eligible to be re-appointed or re-elected subject to the following rules:

1. A member elected by the senate may not hold office for more than four years in consecutive terms
2. Other members may not hold office for more than six years in consecutive terms
3. The board may permit a member to serve for more than the number of consecutive years specified in rule 1 or 2, but only if no more than 1/4 of the members of the

- board have served for more than the specified number of consecutive years at any one time
4. Under rule 3, the board must not permit
    - (a) a member elected by the senate to serve more than two additional consecutive years; and
    - (b) another member to serve more than three additional consecutive years
  5. Once a member has served the number of consecutive years specified in rule 1 or 2 or any additional years permitted by rule 3, the member may not be re-appointed or re-elected until at least three years have elapsed since the member last served
  6. These rules do not affect a student member of the board

**Desirable Experience:**

Some expertise is required in areas of post-secondary education especially the university sector in Manitoba and elsewhere, financial accounting, cultural, social, economic, and labour market issues, and knowledge of issues specific to the post-secondary education field. Skills in analyzing complex material, financial information, and applying relevant legislation to issues at hand are desirable.

**Time Commitment:**

Board meetings will not exceed five hours in length.

**Meetings:**

Location: Brandon University - Louis Riel Room (Brandon, MB)

Frequency: Bi-Monthly (4<sup>th</sup> Saturday/month)

Time: 8:30am – 1:00pm

**Remuneration:**

The members of the board shall not receive any remuneration for performing their duties as members, but the board may reimburse them for their reasonable expenses.