

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

COMMITTEE MEMBER POSITION PROFILE

Trent University is seeking prospective members to serve on the Board of Governors, Audit & Investment or Finance and Property Committee for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2026. Committee Members may be renewed, and may be considered for future Board vacancies.

The University seeks to develop a Board composed of members who have a passion for university education, are highly effective communicators, able to consider other perspectives in making their decisions, are committed to understanding and practicing good governance, engage at a strategic and conceptual level, will serve in leadership roles if asked, are able to commit the necessary time and energy to the Board, and are willing to participate in the life of Trent University as an active ambassador and advocate. This is a challenging position that requires the volunteer to grapple with complex information and make difficult decisions that will have great impact on the future of this important institution.

While all interested applicants are encouraged to consider this opportunity, Trent is seeking in particular members who have one or more of the following skillsets or experience in their career:

- Experience in finance and investment for complex public sector institutions
- Financial acumen
- Experience with sustainable land development, partnerships and construction management
- Political acumen, networks and experience in government relations, particularly at the provincial level
- Experience leading and managing collaborative community endeavours and multi-stakeholder partnerships
- Adept at navigating challenging and complex issues in the public sphere; sophisticated communication and mediation skills

- Willing and able to contribute to fundraising: ie capacity to give at a major or transformational gift level, networks and ability to influence others who can give at this level
- Entrepreneurial approach and/or experience in innovative endeavours
- Distinguished public profile and reputation, broad networks and connections
- Have an understanding of the challenges in administration and governance of public sector institutions, experience on public sector boards
- Senior or mid level executive experience in large organization or institution

The Board is of the view that diversity of Board and Board Committee membership enhances the ability of a governing body to be responsive to the communities it serves and to make balanced, creative decisions. The Board sets for itself the goal of bringing a wider range of backgrounds, perspectives and information to the Board and Committees by increasing opportunities for indigenous persons, persons with a disability, visible and non-visible minorities, and members of the 2SLGBTQ+ communities, who meet the above requirements of the position profile.

Individuals interested in applying to be considered, or interested in nominating a candidate, will find application forms and other relevant information at www.trentu.ca/boardrecruitment. Completed application or nomination forms must be submitted by **February 20, 2026** to: Nominating & Governance Committee c/o University Secretariat at secretariat@trentu.ca.