

Town and Gown Committee

Terms of Reference	
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Objective

The primary purpose of the Town and Gown Committee is to develop and enhance relationships, communications and policies among Acadia students, community, residents, police and Town. This objective would be achieved by addressing issues of common concern and may include neighbourhood relations, housing, the environment, economic activities, recreational and cultural events, health and safety issues and academic outreach.

Composition

The T&C Committee would consist of 11 members with 2 alternate landlord representatives:

- The Mayor
- 2 Councillors
- Acadia Student Union President
- Acadia, Director Safety and Security
- Acadia Senior Director of Student Affairs
- RCMP Sergeant
- Landlord Representative
- Member at Large
- Business representative
- Off campus student representative

The Committee will select a Chair at the December meeting for the next year.

All Committee members serve without pay. The Landlord representative, Member at Large and Council members will serve 2 year terms. All other representatives are connected to a position.

The CAO will serve as an ex-officio member on the Committee.

Duties and Responsibilities

- 1) Generate ideas to continue to improve the relationships between the university, the community, the Town and the police;
- 2) Specifically make recommendations to Council on strategies to lessen the negative impact on neighbourhood resulting from the large percentage of university students living in town;
- 3) Develop communication strategies to celebrate the successes and work of the students and other citizens to enhance community relations;
- 4) Promote the positive attributes of living in a campus community and support activities to ensure a safe and healthy community;
- 5) Provide an open forum for discussion of issues and concerns among the partners in the community.

Administration

The meeting of the Committee will be held bi-monthly. The Chair will communicate the meeting schedule annually.