

## **1.0 Mandate**

The Accessibility Advisory Group (AAG) shall act in an advisory capacity to the University of Winnipeg (UW) to assist with removing barriers to the university campus and programs for all members of its community, including persons with disabilities.

The AAG will provide feedback and recommendations to the UW's Accessibility for Manitobans Act Steering Committee (AMASC) and UW departments regarding the UW Accessibility Plan and accessibility concerns, as well as university policies, programs, services, training, built environments, infrastructure, and outdoor spaces to improve accessibility and prioritize related initiatives.

## **2.0 Purpose**

More specifically, the AAG will:

- a) Identify barriers to working, learning, living, and accessing the UW campus and programs for persons with disabilities and recommend solutions for consideration by the UW;
- b) Provide recommendations on the development of and/or updates to the UW Accessibility Plan, and/or other accessibility-related plans, including providing input into action items and priorities;
- c) Ensure that the Accessibility Plan and other accessibility plans and initiatives are responsive to community needs, particularly for persons with disabilities;
- d) Provide input and advice to the AMASC and/or UW on the best methods to engage the UW community and other stakeholders;
- e) Provide advice, recommendations, and feedback on an ad hoc basis to the UW on matters related to accessibility, including by participation in surveys, focus groups, email or other online communications, and/or meetings;
- f) Assist with education of UW community members, by way of feedback and/or participation in educational and awareness efforts; and
- g) Such other duties as may be agreed.

## **3.0 Membership**

The AAG will be comprised of UW staff, faculty, students, and/or alumni, as well as members of the broader community, appointed by the Chair of the AMASC in consultation with the AMASC.

To the extent possible, AAG membership will include representation of a diversity of lived experiences, including various types of disabilities.

AAG members will be appointed to serve for a one-year renewable term, and can participate as much or as little as they wish.

All members shall agree to be bound by the UW's [Respectful Working and Learning Environment Policy](#) and related [Procedures](#).