

Responsibilities of the Board

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The Board of Governors is responsible for:

1. Establishing appropriate governance structures to oversee the operations of Seneca Polytechnic through delegation to the President of the accountability for its performance and operation.
2. Approving Seneca's strategic directions and outcomes within the context of the appropriate laws, public policy, and needs of the labour market and community.
3. Hiring the President and evaluating the President's performance.
4. Approving Seneca's annual business plan, budget, and annual report.
5. Assessing the effectiveness of the board.

Student Governor

While Seneca is overseen by a Board of Governors that sets the vision, strategy, and overall outcomes of Seneca, a student governor in this leadership opportunity will:

- Participate in discussions that set Seneca's overall strategic direction which includes areas such as program approval, policy making, annual budgets, business plans, campus renewal and expansion
- Provide the student perspective on Board discussions
- Sit on the Academic Planning & Student Affairs Committee
- Participate openly in discussion, being respectful of the process, fellow members, and differing points of view
- Represent the Board at Seneca events, as required
- Conduct themselves in a professional, respectful, and collegial manner while carrying out their responsibilities
- Gain experience in a leadership and governance role
- Attend meetings and come prepared to discuss agenda items by carefully reviewing

materials prior to each meeting to enable informed decision making