

In Memoriam

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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our colleague and friend, Dr. Gabriel Huston. Gabriel passed away on Saturday, April 2, 2022, after a short illness. Throughout his illness Gabriel continued to teach and maintain commitments at Seneca. Gabriel mentioned many times that teaching and working with students were his passion.

Gabriel's love of teaching was also reciprocated by the countless students that he continued to support outside of the classroom. Throughout the pandemic many students were isolated and Gabriel always made time to reach out and spend time with students that needed his help. Sometimes this help included feeding those that were food insecure during the holidays which included providing cooked meals.

Gabriel was a valued member of the Seneca Business team. Many students and colleagues had the privilege of working with him closely and experienced his exemplary care for Seneca while providing an exceptional educational experience for his students.

Gabriel volunteered his time with Seneca for many years prior to the start of his teaching career. His volunteer work, which started in 2012, included coaching and supporting students to prepare for an international conference, Education Without Borders, hosted in Dubai. For a number of years Gabriel continued to work with students as they competed to attend and present at this conference.

Gabriel's volunteer work continued when he joined the Seneca Student Federation (SSF) Board of Directors, acting as the faculty representative starting in 2017. Gabriel continued in this role for many years and continued to attend meetings even when his illness progressed. Gabriel also sat on many SSF committees, reviewed official SSF documents and provided guidance and support to countless student leaders. He developed a learner-centered approach to developing students by establishing learning outcomes as a standard for the SSF to follow. Gabriel was also a founding member and donor of the Student Development Grant Fund.

Gabriel will be greatly missed by his students, friends and colleagues. We are fortunate that he chose Seneca as a place to teach, volunteer and contribute financially to the many worthy causes that supported our students. Thank you, Gabriel!

As per Gabriel's request there will not be a funeral service. We will have a gathering to

celebrate Gabriel when it is safe to do so. Information will be posted on MySeneca.

Seneca will be lowering its flags to half-mast on Tuesday, April 5, to honour Mr. Huston.

A reminder for students, if you feel that you need support, please contact the [Counselling and Accessibility](#) office at your campus, or contact [Good2Talk](#) online or by phone at 1.866.925.5454.

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