COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACT FACULTY

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Article 1   Preamble

The Association des professeur(e)s de Bishop’s University and the Corporation of Bishop’s University recognize that the function of the University is to advance learning and to disseminate knowledge, through teaching, through scholarship, through other creative activities, and also through service to the community. It is recognized that the efficient fulfillment of these purposes requires the University Community to apply the soundest intellectual judgments and ethical ideals in its own practices and the nurture and care of its own resources. The Association des professeur(e)s of Bishop’s University and the Corporation of Bishop’s University agree to cooperate in the promotion of these purposes by endeavouring to create and maintain harmonious relationships within the University.

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish the rights and corresponding responsibilities of the Corporation, of the Association, and of the individual teaching Members, in matters covered by this Agreement, in order that the purposes of the University may be achieved.

Article 2   Definitions

2.1   "Corporation"

Hereafter in this agreement, the word "Corporation," shall mean Bishop's University, which was incorporated under the name "Bishop's College," by the Act 7 Victoria, chapter 49 and amendments thereto.

2.2   "Association"

Hereafter in this agreement, the word "Association," shall mean the Association des professeur(e)s de Bishop’s University.

2.3   "Member"

Hereafter in this agreement, the word "Member" shall mean either a Member of the bargaining unit defined by the Certificate of Accreditation issued by the Department of Labour of the Province of Québec dated 17 April 2000 or Members described in the Memorandum of Agreement signed on 13 November 2000. In the case of new hires, their status as Members shall begin on the date of their first acceptance of appointment as described in 6.2.6.
2.4 “Internal/External Candidates”

“Internal candidates” shall refer to Members who have successfully completed the probationary period described in Article 6.2.5. “External candidates” shall refer either to Members who have not successfully completed the probationary period or any other applicants for courses, including members of other bargaining units.

2.5 "Senate"

Hereafter in this agreement, the word "Senate" shall mean that body established by Division I, Section 5 of the Statutes of Bishop's University.

2.6 “Board of Governors”

Hereafter in this Agreement the words “Board of Governors” shall mean that body vested with the overall management and oversight of Bishop’s University, as established by Division I, Section 1 of the Statutes of Bishop’s University.

2.7 "Academic Year"

Hereafter in this agreement, the expression "academic year" shall mean the period from July 1st to June 30th of the following year.

2.8 “Department or Program”

Hereafter in this agreement, the expression “department or program” shall be understood to include any department or credit program, and the School of Education and the Williams School of Business when they are performing the functions normally performed by departments or programs in the other divisions.

2.9 “Course”

Hereafter in this agreement, the term “course” shall include all iterations of the same course code taught in the same semester (sometimes called “sections”) provided they are each the subject of a letter of appointment issued to a Member of the bargaining unit by the University.
Article 3  Management Rights of the Corporation

Subject to the provisions of this Agreement and to the provisions of the Statutes of Bishop's University, the Association acknowledges the right of the Corporation to operate and manage Bishop's University, and to exercise all the powers, authorities, rights, and privileges conferred on the Corporation of Bishop's University by the Act 7 Victoria chapter 49 and amendments thereto, or by any other Act or its regulations.

Article 4  Recognition, Rights and Responsibilities of the Association

4.1  Recognition

The Corporation recognizes the Association as the sole official representative and exclusive bargaining agent of Members regarding matters governed by this Agreement.

Proposed changes to any terms laid out in this Agreement must be agreed upon between the Corporation and the Association through Collective Agreement Negotiations or the Contract Faculty Joint Committee by means of a Letter of Intent (LoI) or Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

4.2  Representation

In matters covered by this Agreement, the Corporation shall not bargain with nor enter into any agreement with a Member or group of Members other than those designated by the Association. Neither shall the Corporation meet with any Member or group of Members undertaking to represent the Association without the proper authorization of the Association. In representing a Member or group of Members an elected or appointed representative of the Association shall be the spokesperson. In order that this may be carried out, the Association shall supply the Corporation with the names of its officers and negotiators. Likewise, the Corporation shall supply the Association with a list of its designated authorities, including negotiators with whom the Association may be required to transact business.

4.3  Harassment, Discrimination, and Employment Equity

a)  The Corporation recognizes its responsibility to provide a work milieu that is free of harassment and one in which all Members are treated with respect and dignity. The Corporation and the Association agree that the University policy on harassment shall be applied to Members in a manner consistent with the Collective Agreement.
b) In addition to the foregoing, the Association and the Corporation agree that there shall be no discrimination, interference, restriction, or coercion exercised or practiced toward any Member in respect to salaries, benefits, pension, appointments, rank, promotion, tenure, dismissal, sabbatical or other leaves, or any other terms and conditions of employment by reason of age, race, creed, colour, national origin, political or religious activity and affiliation or belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, marital status and/or family relationship, physical or mental disability, or membership and activity in the Association.

In addition, Members with a physical or mental disability (permanent or temporary) have the right to accommodation, up to undue hardship, including modification of an existing accommodation. Notwithstanding the above, no individual within the University Community shall infringe the rights, academic or otherwise, of other individuals within that Community.

c) The Corporation and the Association agree to the principle of employment equity for designated groups as specified by federal and provincial employment equity legislation.

d) Consistent with the principles of employment equity, the Corporation and the Association commit to working together to identify and remove systemic barriers in the workplace of Bishop’s University, including formal or informal policies that are shown to have an unfavourable effect on members of designated groups.

Concerns regarding issues of equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility may be brought to the Contract Faculty Joint Committee.

e) All Members are required to complete the latest training offered by the University on equity and the prevention of harassment.

The program of equity training shall be developed and regularly updated with input from the University’s Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, and in consultation with the Association.

4.4 University Services

a) The Corporation agrees to provide without charge to the Association:

i) office number McGreer 304, including the usual office furniture; and

ii) the use of suitable rooms for meetings of the Association, according to the established procedures for the reservation of rooms.

b) The Association shall have the right to use all University services normally provided to Members, including secretarial and duplicating services, with the understanding that the business of the Association shall be given the same priority
as faculty correspondence. These services shall be supplied at the Association's expense and shall be billed as necessary.

c) The Corporation agrees to provide without charge for the duration of the contract an office equipped with a photocopier, telephone, desk, computer and printer to serve as the Contract Faculty Lounge.

4.5 Access to the University

The Association shall have the right at any time to invite representatives of the Canadian Association of University Teachers (C.A.U.T.) and of the Federation québécoise des professeures et professeurs d'université (FQPPU) and legal counsel and other advisors to enter the University for the purpose of consultation with the Association. Such representatives and legal counsel shall be permitted to enter the University property for such consultations.

4.6 Dues Check-off

A Member is not required to join the Association as a condition of employment. However, all Members, whether or not they join the Association, shall pay the equivalent of the Association dues.

4.7 Dues Remittance

The Corporation shall deduct Association dues or their equivalent every two weeks from the salary of each Member within thirty (30) days of learning from the Association the amount to be deducted. The Corporation shall remit the total deductions to the Association, within seven (7) days of the date they were made, via an electronic transfer or by any other means agreed upon by both the Corporation and the Association, together with a list in duplicate of all Members showing the salary and the amount deducted. A statement of the cumulative amount deducted shall be sent at the end of the financial year.

The amount to be deducted by the Corporation may not be modified more than once in any six (6) month period, and such modification shall take effect as of the second salary date following the receipt by the Corporation of a written notice of the new deductions.

4.8 Information

The Corporation agrees to provide the Association on request and within seven (7) days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Corporation and the Association, the following information:
a) the names, salaries and employment histories of all Members and persons with seniority points (the employment history shall include a complete list of courses the person has taught, including the session during which each course was taught, back to April 1997);

b) audited annual financial statements of the University;

c) cost of benefits;

d) actuarial reports on the pension plan;

e) budgetary projections including income and expenditures in any academic year for academic, administration, buildings and grounds, library budgets, student services and auxiliary services budgets, subdivided as required; and

f) the reconciliation of the audited results for external purposes and the internal results calculated for conditional grant release purposes.

Notwithstanding the above, the Corporation shall not be required to supply information which is solely prepared in formulating the negotiating position of the Corporation.

The Corporation agrees to transmit to FQPPU the information of the "Sous-fichier (Utilisation FQPPU) sur la caractérisation des masses salariales."

4.9 Resolutions and Reports of the Board of Governors

In matters covered by this Agreement, the Corporation agrees that any reports or recommendations about to be made to or by its Board of Governors shall be communicated in writing to the Association at the same time as they are supplied to the individuals on the Board of Governors.

4.10 Copies of all agendas and minutes of the Board of Governors shall be forwarded to the Association at the same time as they are sent to the individuals on the Board of Governors.

4.11 The Association shall have the right to have an observer from the unit and, with prior approval of the Chair if possible, to make representations to all meetings of the Board of Governors in matters covered by this Agreement.

4.12 The three Members who serve as Contract Faculty representatives on the Executive Committee of the Association shall each receive an annual stipend equal to the salary for teaching a three-credit course for this service. These stipends shall be automatically paid by the Corporation in two equal installments at the end of each semester of the regular session.
4.13 Three (3) stipends (each equal to the salary for teaching a three-credit course) shall be paid for each six-month period of negotiations for the Contract Faculty to the Contract Faculty negotiators to a maximum of nine (9) stipends in total. These will be in addition to the total of three stipends in Article 4.12 and will be applicable during a period of negotiations.

4.14 Strikes or Lockouts

In accordance with the provisions of the Labour Code there shall be no strikes or lockouts during the term of the present Agreement.

4.15 Access During Strikes or Lockouts

In the event of a strike or a lockout, a Member whose ongoing research requires access to University facilities in order to prevent irreparable damage to research (such as the loss of life and/or decomposable materials) shall be allowed access to the facilities usually associated with such research.

4.16 Membership Status

a) If a Member has not received either a seniority point or a service point within a period of eight (8) consecutive semesters (Spring/Summer counting as one semester), their membership in the bargaining unit shall lapse, and all of the seniority points accumulated by the Member up to that point shall be forfeited.

b) An appointment to teach a course that is later cancelled as per Article 6.2.8 shall also count toward maintaining membership in the Bargaining Unit, as per Article 4.16a.

c) If a Member leaves the bargaining unit in order to assume an administrative position at Bishop’s University, they may return to the bargaining unit within a five-year period with no loss of membership rights or seniority points previously accrued.

d) Members who receive temporary appointments as fulltime faculty at Bishop’s University shall leave the bargaining unit for as long as their appointments last and shall retain the right to return to the bargaining unit with no loss of membership rights or seniority points previously accrued but shall not receive seniority points for any courses taught during their temporary appointment.

4.17 Offer of Service

a) Notwithstanding Article 4.16a, a Member who has earned neither a seniority point nor a service point may send an offer of service to the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research during their seventh consecutive semester without an appointment.
b) The offer of service shall entitle them to continue their status as a Member of the bargaining unit for three more semesters (Spring/Summer counting as one semester), without the loss of their seniority points or any other privileges of membership.

c) Should the offer of service not lead to an appointment, it may not be repeated.

d) Whether or not the offer of service leads to an appointment, if the Member and/or their dependents are currently enrolled in a degree program with free tuition, the free tuition shall continue until the end of the academic year.

**Article 5   Academic Freedom**

5.1 The Corporation and the Association acknowledge that the University is committed to the pursuit of truth, the advancement of learning, and the dissemination of knowledge. To this end, the parties agree to abide by the principles of academic freedom as expressed in the following statement. Academic freedom is the freedom to examine, question, teach, and learn, and it involves the right to investigate, speculate, and comment without deference to prescribed doctrine, as well as the right to criticize the University, the Corporation and the Association in a lawful and non-violent manner, and to criticize society at large. Specifically, and without limiting the above, academic freedom entitles Members to:

a) freedom in carrying out their activities as teachers, subject to the academic regulations of Senate;

b) freedom in pursuing research and scholarship and in publishing or making public the results thereof; and

c) freedom from institutional censorship. Academic freedom does not require neutrality on the part of the individual, nor does it preclude commitment on the part of an individual. Rather academic freedom makes such commitment possible. The right to academic freedom carries with it the duty to use that freedom in a responsible way.

**Article 6   Appointments**
6.1 General Conditions of Appointments

6.1.1 Appointments shall be of five types:

1) Instructor Per-course appointments including Music ensembles;
2) English Writing Proficiency (E.W.P.) Tutors;
3) Music Tutors;
4) Education Practicum Supervisors; and
5) Contract Faculty Special Instructors.

6.1.2 Authority

The authority to appoint a Member to teach a credit course on contract shall be granted by the Corporation only on the recommendation of Senate.

6.1.3 Appointments shall be made for all available positions. Any modifications to this procedure shall be agreed to by the Joint Committee.

6.1.4 Accommodation

a) Contract course scheduling procedures and appointment procedures shall be followed with the aim of accommodating Members entitled to appointments on the basis of justifiable medical or compassionate grounds.

b) Every reasonable effort shall be made in scheduling courses to accommodate a Member who comes under a protected ground of discrimination within human rights legislation.

6.1.5 Employment Equity

Consistent with the principle of employment equity, the Corporation and the Association agree that:

in the assessment and evaluation of candidates for appointment, the criteria adopted will align with inclusive hiring practices;

the diverse experiences of applicants and the many forms that scholarship can take including, but not limited to, professional experience or recognition as an Indigenous knowledge-holder shall be considered;

applicants and Members seeking appointment shall not be disadvantaged by reason of career interruptions; and any Member who believes that their relevant education and experience have been improperly evaluated may petition the Contract Faculty Joint Committee for a reassessment.
6.2 Instructor (Per-course Appointments)

6.2.1 Availability of Courses

a) The number and distribution of courses taught on part-time contracts, shall be determined by the University by April 15 for the Fall and Winter semesters and by January 15 for the Spring and Summer sessions.

b) In determining such numbers the University shall, as a priority, take into account the following academic considerations:

i) Course replacements for faculty on sabbatical leave, research leave or partial retirement. Such replacements will normally be at the level of two courses per term off.

ii) Course replacements necessitated through the Collective Agreement of the regular faculty.

iii) Continuing support for regular part-time courses and courses funded through Continuing Education consistent with the academic policies of Senate.

iv) Continuing support to English Writing Proficiency consistent with the academic policies of Senate.

c) Should such numbers be less than in the previous year, the University shall present a report to Senate providing sufficient academic and financial reasons for such reductions. The basis for calculating these numbers shall be the number of courses evaluated by the Contract Faculty Evaluation Committee.

d) The availability of specific courses to be taught on part-time contracts shall be determined after the decisions regarding the regular teaching load for full-time faculty have been made and through a consultation process between the appropriate Dean and the department or concentration concerned.

e) The recommendations regarding the attribution of all courses to be taught on part-time contracts shall be made at the same time as, and in accordance with, the procedures outlined in Article 6.2.3 and Article 6.2.4.

f) In the attribution of any course covered by Article 6.2.1d, priority shall be given, in the order of seniority, to Members who have seniority points for the course, provided they do not exceed their maximum workload stipulated in Article 11.7.

g) Course availability must be determined in terms of program need and not with the purpose of depriving a member of an appointment in a given session.
6.2.2 Notification of Courses

6.2.2.1 Definitions

“Internal candidates” shall refer to Members who have successfully completed the probationary period described in Article 6.2.5.

“External candidates” shall refer either to Members who have not successfully completed the probationary period or any other applicants for courses, including members of other bargaining units.

6.2.2.2 Notification

a) Notification of available contract courses shall be communicated in two rounds. In the first round, the “internal round”, a notification shall be sent by the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research to all internal candidates, regardless of the department in which they work, via electronic mail at their ubishops address; no posting shall appear on the University website and the courses included in this notification shall be available only to these internal candidates. In the second round, the “external round”, any courses remaining from the first round shall be posted on the University website and shall be available to external candidates. Both the notification and the posting shall be communicated to the Association.

b) All courses to be taught on part-time contracts shall be advertised in the internal round. The notification to internal candidates shall be done by April 30 for the Fall and Winter semesters and by January 31 for the Spring and Summer sessions. Any such courses not posted by these deadlines may be subject to reallocation by the relevant Dean as part-time credits to other departments within the division.

c) Members must be allowed at least five (5) working days to apply for available courses. In exceptional circumstances, the department may, with the approval of the Contract Faculty Joint Committee, shorten the notification period for either the internal or external hiring round.

d) Notwithstanding Articles 6.2.2.2a-c, in the event that an emergency replacement becomes necessary, with the approval of the Contract Faculty Joint Committee, courses may be advertised to both internal and external applicants at the same time and Members may be required to submit their applications for newly available courses within forty-eight (48) hours. Nevertheless, in such situations the applications from internal candidates must be considered before those of external candidates, and the courses may be awarded to external candidates only if no internal candidate is found to be qualified.
6.2.3 Appointment Procedures

a) Appointments shall be made by an Appointments Committee composed of the relevant Department or Program Committee, as defined in Article 12.2.1b, a non-voting representative of the Human Resources, and the Association Contract Faculty Vice-President or another Member designated by them. The presence of this Contract Faculty representative shall be required for all decisions regarding the allocation of courses to be taught on part-time contracts.

Quorum for an Appointments Committee shall consist of the Department or Program Chair, at least one other faculty member of that Department or Program, and the Contract Faculty Vice-President or their designate.

b) There shall be separate meetings of the Appointments Committee to deal with the internal round and the external round. In the internal round, the Appointments Committee may consider only applications from internal candidates, and no information regarding potential external candidates may be considered by the Appointments Committee. In the external round, the Appointments Committee shall consider all applications as if they are from external candidates, even if some are internal. The seniority points of internal candidates shall not be considered operational in such cases.

c) The Appointments Committee shall be chaired by the Chair of the relevant Department or Program Committee. Normal and accepted conflict of interest guidelines shall apply in the case of any course in which a member of the Appointments Committee or a relation may reasonably be supposed to have a personal interest.

d) The University shall ensure that the Chairs of Departments and Programs have been informed of the appointment procedures and appointment criteria outlined in the Collective Agreement.

e) When the Chair contacts the Contract Faculty Vice-President to arrange a meeting of the Appointments Committee, they shall also send the Vice-President the list of all the candidates to be considered at that meeting.

f) At the conclusion of the meeting of an Appointments Committee dealing with internal candidates, the Contract Faculty Vice-President or the Member designated by them shall inform the relevant Dean in writing that they have attended the meeting.

g) When considering appointments, the Appointments Committee shall have access to the following information: the seniority status for each course, validated by the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research; notices, if any, from the
Evaluation Committee; a curriculum vitae; and, from the student evaluations of the course in question, only the numerical scores. Members applying for courses may also supply any additional information they consider necessary.

h) Courses at both the graduate and undergraduate level may be offered to Members.

i) The normal deadlines for Contract Faculty appointments may be extended for those appointments for which the applicants include a newly-hired Member whose teaching performance has not yet been evaluated by the Contract Faculty Evaluation Committee.

6.2.4 Appointment Criteria for Internal Candidates

Having received applications for available courses, the Appointments Committee shall apply the following criteria, and only the following criteria, in this order in making its recommendations:

a) The Member with the greatest number of seniority points for a particular course shall be given priority over Members with fewer seniority points.

b) When two or more Members have the same number of seniority points for a particular course that they have taught before, the Member with the greatest number of seniority points overall shall be given priority over other Members.

c) When two or more Members have the same number of seniority points overall, the Appointments Committee shall examine the qualifications of the Members; it shall award the course to the Member with superior qualifications.

d) When no Member has seniority points for the course to be offered, and one or more Members have applied for the course, the Appointments Committee shall examine the qualifications of the Members. Should the Appointments Committee find that only one Member has the necessary expertise to teach the course as defined in Article 6.2.4.e, the course shall be assigned to that Member. Should the Appointment’s Committee find that more than one Member has the necessary expertise to teach the course, priority shall be given to the Member with the superior qualifications as determined by the Appointment’s Committee.

e) After examining the qualifications of a Member, the Appointment’s Committee shall determine if a Member has the necessary expertise to teach the course; if they have either a Master’s or a Ph. D. degree in the appropriate field (or subfield) and demonstrate the ability to teach the course as described in the Academic Calendar. An Appointments Committee may not require that a Member have a Ph. D. in order to be deemed to have the necessary expertise to teach the course.
Notwithstanding Article 6.2.4.e), an Appointments Committee allocating a graduate level course may show preference for a candidate with a Ph. D. when evaluating expertise.

f) Once a Member has been found to possess the necessary expertise to teach a course, this determination shall not be questioned again without cause.

g) If no Member has been deemed qualified by the Appointments Committee, the course will be reposted as an external posting described in 6.2.2.2a.

h) In exceptional circumstances, the Contract Faculty Joint Committee may approve a candidate deemed qualified by the Appointments Committee who does not meet the criteria in Article 6.2.4.e.

6.2.5 Probationary Period for New Hires

Any Member hired for the first time shall not be considered as an Internal candidate until they have earned two seniority points in the same Department or program, in different semesters.

6.2.6 Letters of Appointment

a) Letters of appointment for both paid courses and pro-bono appointments shall be issued by the relevant Dean by May 31 for the Fall and Winter semesters, by October 31 for any additional courses in the Winter semester, and by April 15 for courses in the Spring and Summer sessions.

b) The letter of appointment shall state only

i) The course(s) to be taught by the Member;

ii) The year and the term for the course(s) to be taught by the Member

iii) The number of hours of teaching;

iv) The departments (at least one) and programs (if any) to which the Member belongs;

v) The salary and all other information concerning benefits.

vi) Any required University training, such as on Equity and the Prevention of Harassment.
vii) The computer software available to the member for the duration of their contract.

c) The stipulated number of teaching hours shall be thirty-six (36) for a three-credit course, or thirty (30) hours for a laboratory course.

d) The letter of appointment shall be sent to the address indicated by the appointee and recorded in their personal file, or, in the case of new Members, included in their application. A copy of this letter of appointment shall be delivered to the Association and to the Chair of the Department (and/or Program, if applicable) at the same time as it is delivered to the appointee.

e) Each letter of appointment shall contain a statement that the appointment is subject to the terms and conditions of this collective agreement and include the website address for the collective agreement. The letter shall also remind Members to review their rights and responsibilities under the Contract Faculty Collective Agreement.

f) Special conditions of appointment other than those in this agreement shall not be made part of any appointment.

6.2.7 Acceptance of Appointment

The candidate offered the appointment shall have seven (7) days from receipt of the offer to notify the appropriate Dean whether or not they accept the appointment. An appointment begins on the date that a Member signs their letter of appointment and ends on the marks deadline.

6.2.8 Cancellation

a) Once a candidate has accepted an appointment and according to the procedures outlined in Article 6, the course may not be cancelled, except as described herein.

b) After a candidate has accepted an appointment, they shall receive the full salary for that course, paid in the usual way, unless the course is cancelled. No courses may be cancelled except (1) courses offered during the Spring and Summer intersession; and/or (2) evening courses offered during the regular Fall and Winter sessions which are approved by the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or their representative.

c) Such a course may be cancelled only for reasons of insufficient enrolment. Insufficient enrolment is defined as fewer than twelve (12) students.

d) Such a course may only be cancelled no earlier than seven (7) days before the day
of the first scheduled lecture, and no later than the day after the first scheduled lecture.

e) If a course is cancelled then a cancellation fee of one-tenth of the salary for the course shall be paid to the appointee.

f) In cases where different Members have been assigned sections of the same course, and only some sections of the course are cancelled, the remaining section(s) shall be re-allocated among the Members originally assigned to the course based on their seniority. The cancellation fees involved in such cases shall go to those Members who actually lose their sections.

6.2.9 Replacement

a) If the registration in any regular course is six (6) students or fewer, it may be replaced by another course, to be taught by the same instructor, if and only if (a) the instructor agrees and (b) the replacement course is one for which the instructor has priority over all other Members, according to the criteria outlined in 6.2.4.

b) Such a replacement of a course may only take place not less than two (2) weeks before the first scheduled lecture.

6.3 English Language Summer School (ELSS)

6.3.1 Appointment criteria

a) The allocation of paired courses in the English Language Summer School shall follow the provisions in Article 6.2 except as outlined below.

b) Notwithstanding Article 6.2.4, the paired courses in ELSS shall be allocated separately from the individual ESL courses offered traditionally during the academic year and evenings in the Spring and Summer sessions. The individual ESL courses taught during the regular semesters and during the regular day and evening Spring and Summer programs shall be awarded individually to those Members who have the greatest number of seniority points for the individual courses individually, and the paired ELSS courses shall be offered as pairs to those Members on the ELSS seniority list who have applied. Seniority points are not transferable between the regular ESL courses and the ELSS courses, or vice versa.

c) The course numbers attached to the paired ELSS courses shall have no bearing on ELSS appointments. The pairs of ELSS courses shall be allocated to those Members on the ELSS seniority list in their order of seniority. In the case of a
tie in ELSS seniority points, priority shall be given to the Member with more overall seniority points. In any case where two or more Members have the same number of overall seniority points, priority shall be given to the Member with the superior qualifications, as determined by the Department Committee, as defined in Article 12.2.1b.

d) If the number of paired ELSS courses exceeds the number of Members on the ELSS seniority list who have applied, these Members shall be offered, in descending order of seniority, the opportunity to teach in both the Spring and Summer sessions, if they so choose.

e) ELSS teachers hired for the first time for the 2010 sessions or later shall be eligible to receive seniority points for their courses, but shall not be included on the ELSS seniority list until they have taught in the ELSS program three (3) times. When they are added to the ELSS seniority list, they shall bring all their ELSS seniority points with them.

6.3.2 Appointment Procedures

a) When assigning the paired ELSS courses, the Appointments Committee shall take into account the Members’ preferences for specific courses and their choice of session to the extent that this is possible.

b) When Spring and Summer ELSS sessions are posted separately, the paired ELSS courses shall be allocated to Members on the ELSS seniority list in descending order of seniority for the Spring session. Paired courses posted for the Summer session will then be allocated in descending order of seniority to Members on the ELSS seniority point list who were not allocated a course during the Spring session. Any remaining courses will be allocated to Members on the ELSS seniority list who were allocated a Spring course and are eligible to teach a second session.

c) When Spring and Summer session courses are posted simultaneously, the Appointments Committee shall first determine whether the Members on the ELSS seniority list who applied are to be allocated one or two pairs of courses (Article 6.3.1.d). Those who are entitled to two pairs of courses shall have their first courses allocated in descending order of seniority. A space will be reserved for their second course.

After those Members who are entitled to two pairs of courses have received their allocations and space reservations, the other members on the ELSS seniority list who have applied shall be assigned their pair of courses in descending order of seniority. The unassigned paired courses shall then be allocated to Members who are eligible to teach in both sessions according to seniority.

d) Should any paired ELSS courses remain unassigned after the above procedures, they shall be made available to the following groups in this order of priority:
i) Members on the ELSS seniority list who applied for courses and remain available, in order of seniority;

ii) Members of the bargaining unit who have previously taught ELSS courses, but who are not on the ELSS seniority list, in order of seniority;

iii) Members of the bargaining unit who have never taught ELSS courses, but who are deemed qualified by the Appointments Committee, with priority going to those with the superior qualifications; and

iv) New hires.

6.4 Appointments in Music

Except as specified herein, all Contract Faculty appointments in the Music Department shall follow the provisions in Articles 6.1 and 6.2.

6.4.1 Appointment of Music Tutors

a) The Music Department shall maintain both a Seniority List of active tutors and a Reserve List of potential tutors. Individuals shall not move from the Reserve List to the Seniority List until they have been assigned tutorials in four consecutive semesters (not counting the Spring and Summer sessions).

b) Priority on the Seniority List shall be determined by the total number of seniority points the Member has earned; priority on the Reserve List shall be determined by the date at which the individual was added to the list.

c) When it deems necessary, the Music Department shall seek new tutors for the Reserve List. The need for new tutors shall be advertised as specified in Article 6.2.2. Decisions about candidates to be added to the Reserve List shall be made by the Appointments Committee, according to the provisions of Article 6.2.

6.4.2 Numbers and Availability of Tutorials

a) The number and availability of Music tutorials shall be determined by Senate in consultation with the Music Department.

b) Tutors on the Seniority List shall be notified of the expected Music tutorials (per instrument and per level) during the first week of classes in the Fall semester.
6.4.3 The Assignment Committee

a) The Music Assignment Committee shall be responsible for the assignment of tutorials to Music tutors, both those on the Seniority List and those on the Reserve List. It shall consist of the Chair of the Music Department, the full-time faculty members of the Music Department, and two Members of the Contract Faculty Unit, who are not members of the Music Department, designated by the Association. Normal and accepted conflict of interest guidelines shall apply in the case of any assignment in which a member of the Assignment Committee or a relation may reasonably be supposed to have a personal interest.

b) In the assignment of tutorials for Music 170 and 172, the Assignment Committee shall assign the available Music tutorials to the Music tutors per instrument according to the following rules:

   i) The Music tutor on the Seniority List with the most seniority points for 172 per instrument shall be assigned the first two available Music tutorials for 172.

   ii) Should there be more than two available Music tutorials for 172 for a specific instrument, these available tutorials, as well as those for 170 for that instrument, shall be assigned to the Music tutors on the Seniority List one by one in descending order of seniority points.

   iii) Students pursuing a Major in Music shall be assigned first in this rotation, and then students pursuing a Minor in Music. Within each of these categories, the tutorials shall be assigned according to the alphabetical order of students’ names.

c) Exceptions to these rules shall be allowed in only two cases:

   i) If the tutors on the Seniority List indicate that they are unable to accommodate the number of available tutorials, the extra tutorials shall be offered to the tutors on the Reserve List in the order of their priority as per 6.4.1b.

   ii) Students who can demonstrate a previous working relationship with a Music tutor on either the Seniority List or the Reserve List may study with this tutor if they choose. A previous working relationship shall include, but not be limited to, studying with this tutor in a university, college or similar institution; taking paid private lessons with this tutor; or working under the direction of this tutor in a choir or musical theatre. Students’ written
requests for an exception due to a previous working relationship will be analyzed by the Dean of Arts who shall make the final decision.

d) In the assignment of tutorials after the first semester, students will normally continue with their original tutor, though they are free to choose another tutor from either the Seniority List or the Reserve List if they wish. Students shall submit their requests for such a change to the appropriate Dean of Arts who shall make the final decision.

e) At the conclusion of the meeting of the Assignment Committee, the Contract Faculty members of the Committee shall inform the relevant Dean in writing that they have attended the meeting.

6.5 Appointment Procedures for Education Practicum Supervisor

6.5.1 Number and Availability

The number of Education practicum supervisory positions shall be determined by Senate in consultation with the School of Education.

6.5.2 Appointment

Education Practicum Supervisors shall be recommended by the School of Education to the Dean of Education in the following manner:

a) Appointments shall be assigned in a flexible manner that respects the following criteria: availability, respect for the principle of seniority, a reasonable schedule for Education Practicum Supervisors, and the necessary supervision of the School of Education's various practica.

b) Supervisory positions that remain unassigned after the above procedure will be made available to new hires, and such assignments shall be advertised through whatever means are considered appropriate.

c) The Dean of Education will issue letters of appointment.

6.5.3 Evaluation and Seniority

Apart from the general regulations of Article 8, Education Practicum Supervisors shall receive a service point for EDU 215/216 and/or EDU 328/329 and/or EDU 428/429.

6.6 Appointment Procedures for Specialty Courses

a) The following courses shall be defined as Specialty courses:
A course may be added with the approval of the Contract Faculty Joint Committee.

b) Decisions regarding the allocation of Specialty courses shall be made by the relevant Department Committee or Program Committee. Notwithstanding Article 6.2.3a, the presence of the Association Contract Faculty Vice-President or their representative shall not be required.

c) The relevant Department or Program Committees may allocate their Specialty courses in a single round to either an internal or external candidates without distinction.

d) No seniority points shall be awarded for these Specialty courses. Internal candidates shall receive service points for these Specialty courses.

e) Successful candidates shall be compensated as per Article 20 and Article 21.

**Article 7  English Writing Proficiency Program**

7.1 There shall be an English Writing Proficiency Program under the authority of Senate and composed of the four continuing members who currently hold appointments with years of seniority. The University recognizes that the Program offers services to the University at large, to all Divisions and Programs.

7.1.1 All continuing EWP members have the right to vote in the Program. Members with temporary appointments in EWP shall have collectively one vote.

7.1.2 The workload of the EWP members shall be comprised of tutorials, grading the EWP examination, consultations and other duties.

7.2 A coordinator shall be elected by the members biennially and on a rotational basis. A member may, at their discretion, decline to be a candidate for the position of coordinator when it is their turn in the rotation. The coordinator shall act as the Chairperson of the Program but all policies of the Program, including distribution of workload, shall be determined at meetings of the Program by votes of the members.

7.3 The annual contract of the coordinator shall extend from August 1 until May 31. They shall be remunerated the equivalent of three (3) three-credit course stipends for work accomplished between September 1 and April 30. In addition, hours worked in May and in August for duties performed shall be remunerated at the tutorial rate.

7.4 Appointments
Authority to make a new appointment of a continuing nature is granted by the Corporation on the recommendation of Senate. The Appointments Committee shall consist of all the continuing members of the Program. The coordinator will be the Chairperson. Recommendation by the Committee of the candidate for the position will be forwarded to the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or a designate for final approval.

Additional appointments of a temporary nature may be made by the coordinator from time to time, but only on the recommendation of the members of the Program for the position and for the appointee. Such appointees will be allocated duties by the Program and shall be entitled to the rates of pay set out in this agreement. The length of service of such an appointee will be taken into account by the Appointments Committee if the appointee becomes a candidate for a continuing appointment.

The Program will report through the coordinator to the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or a designate on matters of general administration. Members shall receive letters of Appointment from the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or a designate which shall state only:

a) the date on which the letter of appointment takes effect;

b) the seniority of the member (see Article 7.7); and

c) the salary and all other information concerning benefits.

For acceptance of appointment, Article 6.2.7 shall apply.

Seniority

As a continuing member, program seniority shall be determined on the basis of successive years of employment in the English Writing Proficiency Program.

Continuing Members and temporary appointments shall receive one program seniority point for every full academic semester worked.

On the recommendation of the Program, the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or a designate may approve a leave of absence for up to a maximum of one year. Such leaves may not be unreasonably denied. In the event of a denial the member will receive a written statement of the reasons for the denial within thirty days of the application for the leave.

Such a leave shall not be considered an interruption of successive years of employment. However, such leaves shall not be counted for the purposes of
seniority.

7.7 All other conditions of employment as described in the Collective Agreement shall apply to members in the English Writing Proficiency Program.

Article 8 Seniority and Evaluation

8.1 Seniority Points & Service Points

8.1.1 a) Members shall receive one seniority point for each course (including labs) that they teach at the University, provided that their teaching performance for that course is judged to be Satisfactory by the Contract Faculty Evaluation Committee.

b) Members who teach double-numbered courses within a department (not cross-listed courses shared between departments) shall receive two seniority points, provided that their teaching performance for that course overall is judged to be Satisfactory.

c) Members who receive a Letter of Appointment to teach all or part of a course as a replacement for another teacher who is on leave from the University shall receive one seniority point for each course that they teach, subject to the determination of the Evaluation Committee. If the portion of the course that they teach is too short to be evaluated independently, they shall receive their seniority point automatically.

d) In cases where Senate shall declare a new course to be an anti-requisite for a previously-existing course, Members with seniority points for the previously-existing course shall maintain their relative priority for the new course regardless of a change to the number of the course, the title of the course, or minor alterations to the content of the course. Except as otherwise agreed to by the Joint Committee, honors thesis courses, independent studies and pro bono courses taught by Members shall not be evaluated and Members shall not receive seniority points for these courses. Any seniority points for such courses that have already been granted by the Evaluation Committee and/or the Joint Committee shall remain in effect.

e) A Member's seniority points for a course shall be cancelled if the Member turns down all appointment offers for that course three times in succession.
f) Seniority points shall not be awarded for courses taught on temporary appointments as fulltime faculty (Limited Term Appointments). Members shall retain any seniority points awarded for such courses prior to Fall 2012.

8.1.2 Service Points

a) Members are entitled to receive one service point for each pro bono course that they teach and each honor thesis or independent study that they supervise at the University. The awarding of service points shall not depend on an evaluation of the teaching performance of the Member.

b) Service points shall be counted as seniority points for the purposes specified in Article 6.2.4c and Article 21.5.

8.1.3

a) A file listing only the seniority points and service points per course for all Members shall be maintained by the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research and posted on the University website.

b) i. The Vice Principal Academic & Research’s office will also maintain a list indicating those courses for which the Member merited a final unsatisfactory evaluation. Courses for which a Member has received a final unsatisfactory evaluation because they failed to submit a teaching dossier required as per Article 8.3.4 shall be marked “Incomplete”.

ii. This second list shall be sent to the appropriate Dean and made available to any Contract Faculty Appointments Committee as required for the purposes of appointments.

iii. Any course for which an Appeal under 8.10 has been made cannot be assigned until the Appeals Process had been completed.

c) All members shall have the right to consult their entries on these two lists and to have errors on the lists corrected.

8.2 Evaluation Committee

8.2.1 An Evaluation Committee (EC) shall be formed whose purpose is to evaluate the teaching performance of Members in order to determine the awarding of seniority points.

8.2.2 The EC shall be composed of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or an academic officer delegated by the Vice-Principal Academic & Research to act as Chair, one other person for a one-year term, and three Members elected
for a two-year term by and from among the Members at Faculty Council before the Senate meeting to confer degrees. To be elected, a member must receive a strict majority of the votes cast. One alternate shall also be elected, in the same manner. This alternate will serve only when a case comes before the committee involving a member of the committee or a member of their own family; in such a case, the committee member shall stand down in favour of the alternate.

8.2.3 Quorum for the Evaluation Committee shall consist of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research or the academic officer delegated by the Vice-Principal Academic & Research and the three Contract Faculty Members.

8.2.4 The EC shall elect annually a Secretary.

8.2.5 The EC shall keep minutes of all its meetings.

8.2.6 All the records of the EC shall be kept in the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research. A list of people eligible to consult these records shall be established each academic year in accordance with the provisions of Article 16.0. Files must be signed for on receipt and on return. The contents of all files must be listed.

8.2.7 A complete list of all policies adopted by the EC shall be made available to the Association and to all Members at the time they are adopted and to subsequent EC committees.

8.3 Principles of Evaluation

8.3.1 Recognizing that the University is predominantly an undergraduate teaching institution, the EC shall consider teaching performance as the primary criterion in the evaluation of Members for seniority purposes.

8.3.2 The EC shall seek student opinion on the teaching ability and performance of Members using the questionnaire and procedures established by Senate.

8.3.3 In evaluating members, the EC shall
   a) consider all aspects of their teaching performance;
   b) consider only written evidence; and
   c) consider all written material in the Member's file relevant to the Member’s teaching performance during the semester in question

8.3.4 The evaluation of a Member shall not depend on any single piece of written material, unless there is only one piece of material in their file. Except for the results of the student questionnaire, the onus shall be on the Member to ensure that their file is complete. The Member shall not be denied a seniority point for the sole reason that the results of the student questionnaire are
unavailable. A Member whose file for a particular course lacks the results of the student questionnaire shall be notified by the Office of the Vice Principal Academic prior to evaluation that they are required to submit a teaching dossier (Article 8.5.3) to the Evaluation Committee within fourteen (14) days. A failure to do so will result in the denial of a seniority point for that course.

8.4.2

8.3.5

In the evaluation of the teaching performance of a Member, the EC shall seek to balance all aspects of teaching, as well as the departmental and divisional context within which the Member works. To that end, the EC shall review all relevant submitted information, including but not limited to:

a) differences between divisions, departments, and disciplines;
b) the size, type, nature and level of courses taught;
c) the nature of the subject matter;
d) the experience of the instructor with the course, and the number of new course preparations assigned to the instructor;
e) the role of the instructor and the method of course delivery;
f) the quality and utility of the pedagogical materials prepared by the Member; and
g) the contribution of the Member in the areas of pedagogical development and innovation, and the complexity and risk such innovation entails.

8.4

Evaluation of Music Tutors

8.4.1

Unless otherwise specified, the rules for the evaluation of Music Tutors and those for the evaluation of other Members shall be the same.

8.4.2

a) Music Tutors on the Seniority List shall be evaluated by the EC in the eighth semester following their last evaluation at the same time as Members evaluated under Article 8.5.1. Normally, those who are not teaching during that semester will be evaluated the next semester in which they are teaching; however, they may request to be evaluated in that semester even though they are not teaching.

b) Music Tutors on the Reserve List who taught during the relevant period shall be evaluated under Article 8.5.1 at the same time and in the same way as Music tutors on the Seniority List, but only those on the Seniority List shall receive seniority points. Tutors on the Reserve List who receive an Unsatisfactory Evaluation from the EC shall be removed from the List.

c) Music tutorials shall be evaluated in accordance with the principles of Article 8 and using the Senate approved instrument for student response. Music tutors shall be awarded a seniority point if (i) their teaching performance is satisfactory and (ii) according to the following formula: 1-5 enrollments equal one seniority
point, 6-10 enrollments equals two seniority points, and more than 10 enrollments equals three seniority points.

8.5 Method of Procedure of the EC

8.5.1 Except for Music Tutors, the EC will evaluate Members for courses taught in the fall semester in the January following, for courses taught in the winter semester in the May following and, for courses taught in the spring/summer session, in the September following.

8.5.2 At least three weeks before the end of each semester, the EC shall post a notice including a list of all Members to be evaluated that semester. This notice shall also invite submissions in writing from the Members and the regular fulltime faculty of the appropriate departments or programs, and the Deans of the appropriate Divisions, which must be received no later than two weeks after the deadline for the submission of marks for that semester. A copy of this notice shall be sent to all Members, and each Member shall receive a copy of any submission to the EC regarding them.

8.5.3 Members who are being evaluated shall be invited to submit a teaching dossier that may include a course syllabus, the marking scheme, the assignments and tests for each course, and whatever other information the Member deems helpful to the EC in evaluating their teaching performance. This dossier must be received no later than two weeks after the deadline for the submission of marks for that semester.

8.5.4 Notwithstanding Article 8.3.4, the EC may question any person who has submitted written information on matters pertaining to their submission.

8.5.5 Any motion shall be formally voted on and to carry shall require at least three (3) affirmative votes or, in the case of a vote of Unsatisfactory, four (4) affirmative votes. All votes of the EC shall be recorded. An abstention shall be considered a vote against any motion.

8.5.6 The EC shall notify a Member of any decision regarding them within fourteen (14) days of its decision.

8.5.7 Except insofar as the procedures under the terms of this agreement require the communication of information, the documents and deliberations of the EC are confidential to that committee.

8.6 Satisfactory Evaluations

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If the EC determines that the teaching performance for a course is Satisfactory, the EC will inform the member that a seniority point will be awarded for that course.

8.7 Preliminary EC Unsatisfactory Evaluations

8.7.1 If a member’s file for a particular course is empty at the time the EC meets, it will determine a member’s teaching performance to be Unsatisfactory on a preliminary basis.

8.7.2 If the EC determines that the teaching performance for a course is Unsatisfactory, the EC will inform the member of its preliminary evaluation and provide the Member with its reasons. Within two weeks of receipt of the preliminary evaluation, the Member shall have the right to meet with the EC to discuss all the accumulated documentary evidence and the appropriate minutes, to introduce any new written evidence, and to be accompanied by another Member of their choice.

8.8 Final EC Unsatisfactory Evaluations

8.8.1 The EC, after further consideration of all the evidence, will then make a final evaluation and, if the EC determines that the teaching performance for the course is Satisfactory, the EC will inform the member that a seniority point will be awarded for that course. However, if the EC determines the teaching performance is Unsatisfactory, the Member will be informed that no seniority point will be awarded for that course.

8.9 Procedures Following a Final EC Unsatisfactory Evaluation

8.9.1 The next time a Member is evaluated for a course for which they have received a Final Unsatisfactory evaluation, either a) or b) or c) will apply:

a) If the EC determines that the teaching performance for the course is Satisfactory, a seniority point will be awarded.

b) If the EC determines that the teaching performance for the course is Unsatisfactory, the Member will be informed that they will not be awarded a seniority point and that they will no longer be allowed to teach that course. In such circumstances any contracts for that course will become null and void and no cancellation fee will be provided.

c) If, in the case of two iterations of the same course in the same semester, the EC determines that the teaching performance in one was Satisfactory and in the other Unsatisfactory, then the EC shall recommend an appropriate course of action to the department.
8.10 Appeals Process

8.10.1 A Member has the right to submit to the Appeals Committee (AC) any negative decisions of the EC concerning the Member within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of the decision.

8.10.2 The AC shall consist of three Members elected by and from the Members at Faculty Council before the Senate meeting to confer degrees. To be elected, a member must receive a strict majority of the votes cast. One alternate shall also be elected, in a similar manner. The term of service shall be for one (1) year. A member of the AC may not serve on the EC, nor hear their own appeal nor that of a member of their family, nor that of an appellant in the same department, but shall be replaced by the alternate.

8.10.3 No Member subject to evaluation under Article 8.9 may serve on the AC.

8.10.4 Notice of appeal must be given to the Chairperson of the AC within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the decision, failing which the member’s right of appeal shall be deemed to have been abandoned.

8.10.5 A copy of the notice shall be forwarded to the Chairperson of the EC by the Member.

8.10.6 The onus is with the Member to establish the grounds for appeal in a written submission. These grounds shall be limited to (a) errors in procedure of the EC, to (b) whether the decision was a reasonable one in light of the evidence submitted and (c) whether it was consistent with the other decisions of the EC within that year.

8.10.7 A copy of the written submission shall be forwarded to the EC.

8.10.8 In the event that the AC determines that there was an error in procedure of the EC, then, nevertheless, the AC shall determine whether the decision was reasonable and consistent as in (b) and (c) above.

8.11 Method of Procedure of the AC

8.11.1 The AC shall:

a) elect annually a Chairperson and a Secretary;
b) convene within fourteen (14) days of notice of request for appeal;
c) have available all documentation relevant to the appeal;
d) meet with the Chairperson of the EC, the member involved if they so wish and any other individual the AC deems appropriate;
e) keep minutes of all its meetings;
f) render a decision within fourteen (14) days of convening; and
g) give a detailed report of its decision to the member involved, the Chairperson of the EC, and the Association.

8.11.2 An abstention shall be considered a negative vote and the decision shall be that of the majority.

8.11.3 The member involved has the right to appear before the Committee accompanied by a member chosen by them to assist in their presentation and to speak on their behalf.

8.11.4 The proceedings of the AC shall be confidential to that Committee. All correspondence on behalf of the AC shall be agreed to by that Committee. All communications concerning the appeal to/or from the AC, the EC, and/or the appellant shall be in writing or presented before the AC.

8.11.5 The decision of the AC shall be final and binding upon the Corporation, the Member and the Association.

**Article 9 Training and Leaves**

9.1 Teacher training shall be offered subject to the availability of funds.

9.2 French courses

In the interests of increasing bilingualism within the University, the Corporation agrees to fund suitable French language courses which are offered in the area, to an institutional maximum of $40,000 per annum.

9.3 Leaves

9.3.1 General Conditions

a) Members shall not be penalized, either in pay, in benefits or in seniority, for going on leave.

b) Except as specified below, a Member on any leave mentioned in this Article shall be entitled to full salary, up to the maximum length of their current appointment.

c) Should any leave mentioned in this Article be of such a length that it prevents a Member in subsequent semesters from taking up a contract to teach a course or courses to which they would have been entitled under the provisions of Article 6.2.4, then the course(s) may be assigned to the next Member in line. In such a case, the Member on leave
shall automatically receive a seniority point for the course(s), and the Member teaching the course(s) shall also receive a seniority point for the course(s), provided their teaching performance for the course(s) is found to be Satisfactory.

d) Non-acceptance of an appointment while on leave shall not count as a refusal of the appointment in the sense of Article 8.1.1.f.

e) A Member is deemed to continue to be a Member of the bargaining unit up to eight (8) semesters after the completion of their last appointment, including an independent study, honors thesis course or pro-bono course.

9.3.2 Court Leave

Leave shall be granted to any Member required to be a witness or juror by any body in Canada with power of subpoena. The Member shall notify the Dean upon notification that they will be required to attend court and present proof of service requiring their attendance.

9.3.3 Compassionate Leave

A Member may arrange with the Department and the Dean of the appropriate Division a planned or emergency leave of up to four weeks. Permission for such leave shall not be unreasonably withheld.

9.3.4 Sick Leave

A Member shall be granted leave for the duration of their illness if, as certified by a physician, the Member cannot accept or carry out the duties of their appointment for health reasons.

9.3.5 Political Leave

A Member may run for political office during the period of their appointment. They will be entitled to three (3) weeks leave of absence for this purpose. The Member shall make all reasonable efforts to make up any missed classes.

9.3.6 Caregiver Leave

Upon written request, and with the approval of the Corporation, a Member may take a caregiver leave. They shall receive compensation equal to 100% of their current appointment. Thereafter, they may take an unpaid leave of up to one year in order to take care of a family member.

9.3.7 Perfectionnement Leave
Upon written request, and with the approval of the Corporation, a Member may take a leave of up to one year in order to upgrade their academic qualifications.

9.3.8 Maternity, Paternity and Parental Leaves

a) Eligibility

This shall apply to those Members who are eligible and apply for Quebec Parental Insurance Plan (QPIP) benefits for Maternity, Paternity, Parental or Adoption Leave or who are ineligible for QPIP benefits for Maternity, Paternity, Adoption or Parental Leave and who seek such a leave from Bishop’s University to cover any semester or part of semester when:

i. they are actually teaching a course or courses at Bishop's University, or

ii. they would be teaching a course or courses at Bishop’s University, due to their seniority points, were it not for the fact that they need to be absent on Maternity, Paternity, Adoption or Parental leave.

b) Compensation by the Corporation

i) Eligible members as described in 9.3.8a) who are receiving QPIP benefits, shall receive 100% of their salary for any and all courses mentioned in 9.3.8a) less what is paid to them by the Quebec Parental Insurance Plan (QPIP) for the duration of their approved QPIP Leave.

ii) Members on Maternity, Paternity, Adoption or Parental Leave as described in 9.3.8a) who are ineligible for QPIP benefits shall receive compensation equal to 100% of their current appointment. For as long as the member remains on this particular leave, they shall receive 25% the salary for any eligible appointments until such time that they are found eligible for QPIP benefits.

iii) Members on Maternity, Paternity, Adoption or Parental Leave as described in 9.3.8 a) who are disqualified from receiving QPIP Maternity benefits, or should QPIP cease to provide coverage for maternity benefits or adjust the amount of benefits that were received, the Corporation shall maintain the Member at 100% of their nominal earnings for any and all courses mentioned in Article 9.3.8 a) for the period of their leave.

9.3.9 Extended Unpaid Parental Leave

An extended Parental Leave without pay, up to a maximum of one (1) year, shall be given to a Member who requests it.
a) General Conditions

Members who take such a leave shall receive a seniority point for any and all courses that, because of their seniority points, they would have been able to teach, were it not for the fact that they need to be absent on Maternity, Paternity/Spousal, Adoption, Parental Leave and/or Extended Parental Leave.

i. The Member shall give the Corporation at least four (4) weeks written notice of the date the Leave is to begin. The notice period may be altered by mutual agreement.

ii. The notice period in Article 9.3.9a) i shall not apply if the Member stops working because of complications caused by the pregnancy because of a birth, still birth, or miscarriage.

iii. During a Maternity, Paternity, Adoption and/or Parental Leave, the Member’s benefits continue as if the employee was actually at work provided they make continuous regular payments of the Member’s portion of the contributions required for the said benefits and provided it is permitted under the existing policies.

iv. The expectant Member shall benefit from an adjustment of her duties, if available, when complications related to her pregnancy justify it or when her working conditions expose her to physical dangers, to infectious diseases or danger of miscarriage.

v. Nothing in this Article shall prevent a member from claiming sick leave for absences from work due to illnesses.

vi. If the Member qualifies for sickness benefits under the Employment Insurance Act, then for the period of the sickness the Member shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the difference between the EI benefits received by the Member and 100% of the Member’s salary for any and all courses mentioned in 9.3.8.a) If the Member does not qualify for sickness benefits under the Employment Insurance Act, then the Corporation shall maintain the member at 100% of their salary for any and all courses mentioned in 9.3.8.a).

vii. Subject to the provisions of 9.3.8, when there is an interruption of pregnancy, a Member is entitled to Maternity Leave per QPIP regulations.
viii. Subject to the provisions of 9.3.8, the Member may extend their Parental leave as per QPIP regulations if the health of the newborn infant requires such an extension. During these extensions, the Member shall receive paid pregnancy leave on the same basis as described in 9.3.9.

ix. Upon return to work, a Member who has taken a leave under this Article shall resume their former position as provided for under this Collective Agreement.

x. The parties agree that the provisions of this Article shall be no less than those in the applicable labour/employment provincial and federal legislation as may be further amended. Differences in the interpretation of this Article shall be resolved based on consistency with the acts.

**Article 10 Discipline and Dismissal**

The Parties acknowledge that, depending on the circumstances, informal discussion and/or mediation between parties may be appropriate in resolving alleged misconduct or conflictual situations without formal disciplinary action being initiated. However, the Corporation reserves the right to take disciplinary and dismissal measures without such discussion or mediation taking place.

10.01 Due Process

A Member accused of misconduct shall have the protection of due process outlined in this Article. Misconduct shall not include conduct properly characterized as the exercise of freedom of expression, belief, opinion, or association (as provided for by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms), or Academic Freedom (as defined in Article 5).

10.02 Progressive Discipline

a) The Association and the Corporation endorse the concept of progressive discipline with the aim of being corrective in application.

b) Except for Dismissal Procedures under Article 10.13, disciplinary measures shall be progressive but proportionate to the seriousness and frequency of the violation or misconduct. The disciplinary measures available to the Corporation are the following:

i. Letter of Concern

ii. Letter of Reprimand

iii. Suspension
iv. Dismissal

c) A Letter of Concern shall result from an offence, where the nature and degree of severity are such that a repetition of the offence within a period of two (2) years could in itself constitute potential grounds for further disciplinary sanction.

Letters of Concern must be clearly identified as being disciplinary measures, and shall contain:

i) a clear statement of the reasons for taking this action.

ii) a statement of any remedial action the member is required to take.

iii) a warning that repetition of the offence within two (2) years may result in further disciplinary sanction.

d) A Letter of Reprimand shall result from a serious offence, where the nature and degree of severity are such that a repetition of the offence within a period of two (2) years could in itself constitute potential grounds for further disciplinary sanction.

Letters of Reprimand must be clearly identified as being disciplinary measures, and shall contain:

i) a clear statement of the reasons for taking this action.

ii) a statement of any remedial action the member is required to take.

iii) a warning that repetition of the offence within two (2) years may result in further disciplinary sanction.

e) Suspension means temporarily removing the Member from performing their duties.

The length of the suspension shall depend on the severity of the misconduct.

Notice of suspension shall include details of the suspension and the dates of the suspension’s commencement and conclusion.

f) Dismissal means the termination of an appointment by the Corporation without the consent of the Member and before the end of the contracted appointment period, and may include the prevention from future employment at the University.

10.03 Just and Sufficient Cause

a) Disciplinary measures shall be applied only for just and sufficient cause.
Just and sufficient cause for Letters of Concern, Letters of Reprimand, and Suspensions shall include but is not limited to:

i) consistently and willfully neglecting to carry out, or misconduct in carrying out, their university duties and responsibilities; or

ii) harassment or intimidation; or

iii) failure to correct behavior or deficiencies following due notification to correct such failure.

b) Dismissal shall be applied only for just and sufficient cause.

10.04

In the case of all disciplinary measures the burden of proof lies with the Corporation, and the evidence presented at a meeting regarding the application of a disciplinary measure shall pertain only to the grounds stated in the dismissal or discipline notice sent to the Member.

10.05 Disciplinary Procedures

In all cases of disciplinary actions, the application of the sanction must be preceded by a meeting between the Corporation, the Association, and the Member concerned.

A member has the right to Association representation at any meeting that may lead to disciplinary measures being imposed by the University.

10.06

The Corporation shall initiate disciplinary actions by requesting in writing that the Member concerned meet with the appropriate Dean or other Academic Officer in the presence of a representative of the Association. Such notification shall include the time, the place of the meeting and the grounds upon which it intends to take disciplinary action. Such notification shall allow the Member at least seven (7) working days to prepare for the meeting. The Association shall be sent a copy of this notification. In this and all further proceedings the Member shall be permitted to bring and be assisted by an Association representative of their choice.

10.07
An attempt shall be made at the meeting to resolve the matter in a manner satisfactory to all concerned. If there is agreement among the parties, the terms of such agreement will be applied without further procedures. In the event of a disagreement, the Corporation may, after the meeting, proceed with the disciplinary sanction. In this case the Corporation shall send to the Member and the Association a full written statement of the reasons for this action.

10.08

No disciplinary measures may be imposed later than twenty-five (25) working days after the incident which gave rise to the measure, or of knowledge of the same by the Corporation.

However, prior to the expiry of a time limit the parties may mutually agree in writing to extend any time limits provided herein. Requests for extension of time limits shall not be unreasonably denied.

10.09

The Member or the Association may grieve the decision of the Corporation to proceed with the disciplinary sanction using the Procedures of Article 19.

10.10 Administrative Suspension

Notwithstanding 10.01, the Principal may suspend a Member without warning if the presence of that Member is deemed to constitute a clear and immediate threat or danger to themself or to other Members of the community. In such cases of Administrative Suspension, the notification named in 10.08 shall be issued to the Member and the Association within five (5) working days of the Member being suspended.

In such cases, the Member shall be suspended with full pay and benefits pending resolution of any final decision from the Corporation. The Association shall be informed of this action as soon as possible.

Any action taken in such case does not constitute, in and of itself, disciplinary action but is for the protection of the Member and/or the University community. However, following an Administrative Suspension, the Corporation may begin disciplinary procedures as described in 10.05.

10.11 Disciplinary Reports

Any disciplinary report or written warning which has been decided in favour of the Member must be withdrawn from their file.
The Member and the Association must receive a copy of all reports or disciplinary measures (including Letter of Reprimand) placed in the file; failing this the documents may not be used as proof during an arbitration.

Except as provided for by the law, documents created in the course of a disciplinary investigation shall be secured, treated as confidential, and used only in accordance with this Agreement or as may be legally required.

10.12

All Letters of Concern and Letters of Reprimand become null and void after two (2) years and shall be removed from the Member’s file.

All Notices of Suspension become null and void after five (5) years and shall be removed from the Member’s file.

This does not apply to any disciplinary records related to sexual harassment or sexual violence, which will be held by the University’s Secretary General and treated as confidential.

10.13 Dismissal Procedures

The Corporation shall initiate dismissal procedures by requesting in writing the Member concerned to meet with the Principal and the Vice-Principal Academic & Research in the presence of a representative of the Association. Such notification shall include precise reference to all the pertinent information in this Agreement. The Association shall be sent a copy of this notification. In this and all further proceedings, the Member shall be permitted to bring and to be assisted by an Association representative of their choice. An attempt shall be made at the meeting to resolve the matter in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

10.14

If no satisfactory solution is reached or if the Member fails to appear at the meeting provided for in Article 10.13 above, and if the matter is to be pursued, the Corporation, no later than ten (10) working days after the date for the meeting described in Article 10.13, shall inform the Member in writing of the motives for dismissal in sufficient detail to enable them to prepare their defence. The dismissal is effective immediately.

10.15

In the event that a Member does not contest their dismissal, the Corporation may grant a compensation to the Member.
If the Member wishes to contest the dismissal, they, within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the notice referred to in Article 10.14, shall write to both the Corporation and the Association to require these bodies to choose an arbitrator.

Resolution of a contested dismissal shall commence at the arbitration stage of the grievance procedure, as set out in Article 19.

Any failure by one party to observe any of the time limits set out herein shall entitle the other party to invoke succeeding steps in the procedures. However, the parties may mutually agree in writing to extend any time limits provided herein.

**Article 11  Terms and Conditions of Employment**

11.1 Absence from the University for the purpose of research, study, or professional activities shall not interfere with a Member's duties. A Member may not absent themselves for more than the equivalent of one week of classes for any reason without the permission of the Dean of their Division.

11.2 Payment
The salaries of Members shall be paid in eight equal installments by transfer on alternate Thursdays to any Bank or Caisse Populaire in Canada.

11.3 Holidays
Members are entitled to the following holidays: New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, St. Jean Baptiste Day, Canada Day, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and Boxing Day, and any other day proclaimed as a holiday by the Corporation. Provided that the integrity of the semester is maintained, and after consultation with the appropriate Dean, Members may also observe their religious holy days.

11.4 Vacation
An additional 8% of base salary shall be added to each installment as vacation pay.

11.5 Non-University Work
A member may accept remuneration for pursuit of activities beyond the University without prejudice to their university position.
11.6 Off-Campus Teaching
The Corporation agrees that a member who teaches Bishop's University courses, whether credit or non-credit, away from the University campus shall be granted a travel allowance according to the amounts specified in Article 21.

11.7 Teaching Load

a) Normally, Members shall not teach more than a total of eighteen (18) credits over the entire academic year (Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer). For the purposes of this article, the academic year shall be considered to begin in the Fall session. However, Members may be allowed to teach beyond the maximum load with the agreement of the Joint Committee.

b) Should a Department or Program Committee wish to recommend that a Member teach more than the allowed teaching load, the Chair of the Appointments Committee must send a letter to the Joint Committee outlining all the reasons for such a recommendation.

11.8 Markers and Demonstrators

Subject to the approval of the appropriate Dean, each Member has the right to a marker or reader for courses in which the registration is twenty-one (21) or more students, and to a demonstrator in laboratory courses in which the registration is twenty-one (21) or more students. Should a Member choose themselves for the job of marker or reader, and subject to the approval of the Dean, the Member will be reimbursed at the same rate.

11.9 Health, Safety, and Security

The Corporation recognizes its responsibility to provide a healthy and safe workplace to Members, and sufficient facilities, supplies, and services to protect the health, safety, comfort, and security of Members as they carry out their responsibilities. To that end, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

a) The Corporation and the Association will maintain a Joint Health and Safety Committee that will establish, review and implement Health and Safety policies on campus.

b) The Corporation agrees to provide health services in case of an emergency or accident involving any Member while on Campus, at no charge to the Member.

c) The Corporation agrees to provide all Members with the protective equipment and clothing required for the safe and effective performance of their duties.
d) Should any member require special considerations for reason of health (e.g., wheelchair facilities, washroom adjustments, etc.), the Corporation agrees to respond to requests for such consideration promptly and with the well-being of the Member as the primary concern.

e) The Corporation recognizes the right of Members to have access to their offices and laboratories at all times except in cases of emergency.

f) Members shall provide personal supervision of students occupied in the science laboratories and fine arts workshops, in particular the acid room, the metal shop, and the woodshop, to ensure the health and safety of the students.

g) Should the Corporation have reasonable grounds for belief that a Member is physically or psychologically unable to perform their duties as outlined in this Agreement, the Corporation may, after consultation with the Dean, and after advising the Association, relieve the Member of their duties for one semester pending a medical assessment, arranged by the Corporation. During this period the Member shall continue to receive full salary and other benefits.

The Dean shall meet with the Member concerned to provide the reasons for relief of their duties. The Member shall have the right to be accompanied by an Association representative at this meeting.

In such cases, physical or psychological inability to carry out their duties shall only be grounds for dismissal if the Member persistently and unreasonably refuses medical or other appropriate treatment. The Dismissal Procedures outlined in Article 10 shall pertain. Following the medical assessment, the Member will either be reinstated with any necessary accommodations or go on sick leave.

11.10 Liability Insurance

The Corporation shall maintain sufficient liability insurance to protect Members from any civil action which might be brought against any Member for any act or omission arising out of and during the course of the performance of duties required by their office, position or employment.
Article 12  Representation

12.1 The Corporation and the Association agree upon the importance of the representation and integration of Members into the University and Faculty bodies. The Corporation and the Association also agree upon the importance of (a) the quality of teaching and (b) the development of teaching skills of members and their representation on committees of the University related to teaching.

Accordingly, Members shall be entitled to one representative on the Teaching Evaluation Committee, one representative on the Academic Space Committee, and one representative on the Continuing Education Committee. These representatives shall be elected by the Faculty Council.

12.2 Department or Program Committee

12.2.1

a) Every Member shall be a member of some department or program, whether or not they are currently teaching.

b) In each department or program there shall be a Department or Program Committee composed of all the regular faculty members of the department and all Members in that department or program.

c) Members in a Department or Program Committee shall have altogether at least one vote per regular load equivalent or part of a regular load equivalent (a regular load equivalent is 18 credits). If more than 18 credits are taught by Members in the Department or Program during the academic year, Members will have 2 votes in the Department or Program Committee.

d) The Members in a Department or Program Committee shall select their voting representative(s) in a manner of their choosing and shall forward their name(s) to the Chair of the department or program and of the pertinent division or school by September 20th of each academic year.

e) The Department or Program Committee shall elect its chairperson and determine its policies by a majority vote of the Committee, as per the voting rights in Article 12.2.1c.

f) All Members, whether or not they are currently teaching, shall be notified of and have the right to participate in all meetings of the Department or Program Committee of the department or program to which they belong. They shall have the right to make representations on all issues.

12.3 Division or School
All Members, whether or not they are currently teaching, shall be notified of, and have the right to participate in, their respective Division or School meetings. Members who have voting rights as representatives in their Department or Program Committee in accordance with Article 12.2.1 c) shall have the right to vote in their respective Division or School meetings. In addition, Members have the right of representation on Selection Committees for Deans as per Division V, Section 1 of the Statutes.

12.4 Faculty Council

All Members, whether or not they are currently teaching, shall be voting members of Faculty Council, except in the case of votes for those representative positions on Senate or the Board of Governors already designated for regular faculty and for those positions on committees under the collective agreement of the regular faculty members.

12.5 Senate

Two Members shall be elected to Senate as per Division I, Section 5 of the Statutes of the University.

12.6 Board of Governors

Members shall have representation at the Board of Governors as determined from time to time by the appropriate bodies.

12.7 ESL Multidisciplinary Program Committee

12.7.1 The provisions of Articles 12.1 through 12.7 shall apply to the ESL Multidisciplinary Program Committee, with the following exceptions:

a) The ESL Multidisciplinary Program Committee shall be composed of all Fulltime and Contract Faculty teaching ESL, two Fulltime Faculty with expertise in language teaching, and two professors, either Fulltime or Contract Faculty, from other disciplines. Those members of the Committee not teaching ESL shall be chosen in a manner determined by the voting members of the Committee.

b) All Members of the Committee shall have one vote, save that the Contract Faculty members of the Committee shall have collectively two votes. The Contract Faculty voting members of the Committee shall elect their voting representatives in a manner of their choosing.

c) The Chair of the Committee shall be elected by and from among the voting members of the Committee.
d) The presence of one non-ESL faculty member shall be required to establish quorum at Committee meetings.

e) The Committee shall be affiliated with the Division of Humanities, with the understanding that resources to offer courses will not draw from existing resources for other programs in the Division.

**Article 13  Appointment of Administrators**

The Corporation and the Association agree that there may be full involvement of Members in the creation of new academic administrative appointments and in the selection of academic administrators. In the case of the position of the Director of Continuing Education, there shall be full involvement of members.

**Article 14  Administrative Stipends**

Members who perform administrative duties, or duties other than those normally part of their teaching duties, shall be remunerated as follows:

a) Each Member who serves on the Contract Faculty Evaluation Committee shall receive an annual stipend equal to one half of the regular salary paid for a three-credit course. These stipends shall be automatically paid by the Corporation within three weeks after the Committee has completed its work for each semester.

b) Members who serve as members of other University bodies shall be paid at a rate of $25.30 per hour. Hours compensated shall not be limited to hours of attendance at meetings, but shall include reasonable time for preparation (normally one half hour for every hour of meeting).

c) The University bodies referred to in Article 14b shall include, but not be limited to, the Contract Faculty Appeals Committee, the Senate, and the Principal Search Committee.
d) Subject to prior agreement between the Corporation and the Member, other forms of University service may also be remunerated at the hourly rate referred to in Article 14b, including, where appropriate, their preparation time.

e) This Article shall not apply to attendance as an ordinary member at Departmental, Program, Divisional, School or Faculty Council meetings.

f) Should a Contract faculty member be elected to be the Chair of a Multidisciplinary Program Committee, they shall receive a stipend of one third of a 3-credit course.

**Article 15  Employment of Non-Members**

15.1 The Corporation agrees not to employ non-Members of the bargaining unit to perform teaching duties except as specified below:

a) Nothing herein shall prevent the teaching of courses by the Principal, the Vice-Principal Academic & Research, the Deans, University Librarian, and Senior Managers of the University. They shall not thereby become members of the Contract Faculty Unit, and no seniority points shall be awarded. These individuals will only be considered in the External round of the Appointment process as described in Article 6.

b) Notwithstanding Article 6.2.4, when a course to be taught on a part-time contract is made available and posted according to the provisions of 6.2.2.2, should no Contract Faculty Member with a seniority point for that course exercise their right to teach it in the internal round, a Full-Time Faculty Member shall have the right to claim the course in that round, provided that

i) the Member provides documentation that shows they have taught the course before,

or

ii) it is a Senate-approved course that they have created

c) The restrictions cited in 15.1 b) i and ii shall not apply during the Spring and
Summer semesters.

d) A Full-Time Faculty Member shall not become a member of the Contract Faculty Unit, and no seniority points shall be awarded.

15.2 Nothing herein shall prevent the employment of students or others as markers or demonstrators.

15.3 Nothing herein shall prevent the teaching of courses by individuals who are on an approved exchange between the University and another university.

**Article 16**  
**Access to Files of Members**

16.1 A Member shall have the right during normal business hours to examine all of the files concerning the Member kept by the Corporation, the Association or by any committee established by this Agreement.

16.2 All files containing evaluative materials of a Member may be kept only by the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research and from time to time by the EC, the AC, or Department or Program Committees for the purposes of appointments. External letters of reference shall not be included in personal files and shall be destroyed once the appointee has commenced his or her duties. All contents of such files shall be listed and numbered.

16.3 Members shall have the right to have all of their files supplemented or corrected in the event of error or inadequacy in the file. In the event distortion is alleged, Members shall have the right to provide additional material for inclusion in their files.

16.4 Members shall have the right to have the Corporation prepare copies of their files at its expense.

16.5 No anonymous material other than aggregated statistical information which is recorded in student evaluations as obtained by the procedures approved from time to time by Senate shall be kept concerning any Member, unless specifically requested by the Member. No such material, if maintained contrary to this Agreement, shall be submitted as evidence in any proceeding involving a Member. If such evidence is submitted, it shall be struck from the record and not considered as part of the evidence.

16.6 Letters of assessment or any other material presented as evidence in any
proceedings for dismissal for cause shall be made available to the Member concerned.

16.7 Members’ files shall not be made available to third parties except as required in the performance of their duties under this Agreement, or except at the written request of the Member.

16.8 The scores of individual Members, as determined by the questionnaire of student opinion for the evaluation of teaching, will be kept in a single file in the office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Research and made available to the University community.

Article 17 Copyrights and Intellectual Property

17.1 In recognition of the Corporation’s commitment to scholarship, including teaching, research, and publication activities, the Corporation agrees that Members have complete intellectual and artistic freedom in the creation of intellectual property and the unqualified right to disseminate by any means whatsoever the intellectual property which they own. The creator is free to publish or use other means to place the intellectual property in the public domain. The Corporation and the Association agree that Members have no obligation to seek patent or other legal protection for the results of their work or to modify research to enhance patentability. No creator is obliged to engage in commercial exploitation.

17.2 The Corporation shall not enter into any agreement with a third party which alters or abridges, or has the effect of altering or abridging, the intellectual property rights of a Member.

17.3 Copyrights

The Corporation agrees that it has no interest in and makes no claim to copyrights of any Member in print or digital media (books, articles, creative works, and similar material). The Corporation therefore waives, disclaims, and abandons any and all rights in such copyrights.

17.4 Copyrights in Works of Art

The Member(s) who is the maker of any work of art such as painting, sculpture, music, films, recorded works of art, and the like, shall retain the copyright therein, and the Corporation, therefore, agrees and undertakes to transfer to the author(s), and hereby transfers to the author(s), all rights in such works of art.
17.5 Copyrights to Course Materials

The Corporation hereby agrees and undertakes the transfer to the author(s), and hereby transfers to the author(s), and all rights in the copyright(s) to course materials produced by the Members in any media, and recognizes that the Member is the sole copyright holder of their course materials.

The Corporation will take preventative measures to protect the intellectual property of Members through policies that prohibit the unauthorized recording of academic materials.

Should a Member find that recorded lectures or other course materials have been published or broadcast without their authorization, the Corporation will give every reasonable assistance to Members to stop such dissemination of their intellectual property.

17.5 Access to Intellectual Property

If a Member leaves the University for any reason (including but not limited to retirement, dropping off the seniority list, and dismissal), they may request a copy of all of their digital course materials and intellectual property within one month of their departure.

17.6 Copyrights on Computer Software

The Corporation hereby waives, disclaims and abandons any and all rights in the copyrights of Computer Software developed by Members.

17.7 With the exception of the items designated in Articles 17.3, 17.4, 17.5 and 17.6 above, Members and the Corporation shall conform to the following policy on intellectual property in matters relating to the consideration of intellectual property for patent protection and/or its potential commercialization.

a) By filling in the University's Disclosure Form all Members will be required to divulge in writing to the Corporation any intellectual property arising out of research accomplished at the University, indicating, at that time, whether or not they wish to proceed with patent protection and/or commercialization.

b) Should a Member wish to proceed with patent protection, the Corporation shall be obliged to evaluate the divulged intellectual property and inform the member in writing whether or not the Corporation wishes to proceed with the protection of the divulged intellectual property. This analysis shall occur within four months of the disclosure.
c) Should the Corporation decline to proceed any further, the Corporation shall inform the Member that the Corporation waives, disclaims and abandons any and all rights in such divulged intellectual property.

d) Should the Corporation wish to proceed further with patent protection of the divulged intellectual property, and the Member wishes patent protection in order to make the intellectual property within the public domain, the Member shall cede intellectual property to the Corporation. However, the Member shall continue to be recognized as the sole inventor/creator of the idea, and such status can never be removed or denied by the ceding of intellectual property to the Corporation.

e) Should a Member and the Corporation decide to proceed with the patent protection of the divulged intellectual property and its further commercial development, the Member shall cede the divulged intellectual property to the Corporation. However, the Member shall continue to be recognized as the sole inventor/creator of the idea and such status can never be removed or denied by the ceding of the divulged intellectual property to the Corporation or to any other party. Further, should the University wish to sign a licensing agreement based on this divulged intellectual property, the University would not do so without the inventor signing the University's Contract License Agreement.

f) Should a Member and the Corporation decide to proceed with the patent protection of the divulged intellectual property and its further commercial development, and should any net profits be generated from commercial development, such net profits shall be apportioned to the Corporation and the Member in the following manner: the Member shall receive the first $10,000 and, thereafter, equal amounts shall be apportioned to both parties.

**Article 18    Continuing Practices**

18.1 The Corporation acknowledges a continuing responsibility to maintain a climate in which the academic and professional functions of Members may be effectively carried out and undertakes to provide a level of facilities and support services consistent with this responsibility, subject to the budgetary policies established by the Corporation.

18.2 a) Upon acceptance and for the duration of an appointment, Members shall automatically receive at no cost the usual entitlements granted to full-time faculty, including, but not limited to,

i) a shared office with a reasonable amount of office furniture, a computer with Internet access, a telephone and office supplies;

ii) a University email account;
iii) access to the Library and computing services;

iv) a photocopy card and access to duplicating services;

v) a Bishops University identity card;

vi) a listing in the Campus Directory and on the University Website; a password to access the part of the University Website dealing with course registration;

vii) adequate administrative and related services as provided to faculty to enable Members to conduct University business, to prepare professional publications, with the exception of theses or manuscripts of books, and to carry out professional and research activities (as referenced in Letter of Intent 2012-02CF).

b) In addition, each newly hired Member shall be informed of the Internet address of the most recent version of the Collective Agreement and all policies and other material relevant to the evaluation process, including the student evaluation questionnaire.

c) At the end of every semester they teach, Members shall receive, upon request, their Report of Employment for Employment Insurance purposes.

18.3  

a) Each Contract Faculty office is to be shared by at least two Members and by a maximum of four Members.

b) The University shall have access to Member’s offices for normal cleaning and repair services and emergencies. In cases where an exceptional service (e.g. painting, ventilation work, architectural analysis) is scheduled, office holders shall be notified.

c) Notwithstanding 18.4a, with the agreement of the Association, Members whose teaching in a semester consists solely of Music Tutorials may be assigned to an office or offices with up to six (6) Members per office in the proximity of the music department.

18.4  

During semesters when they are not teaching, Members shall maintain the right to the following entitlements at no cost:

a) a University email account;

b) access to the services of the Library;

c) a Bishops University identity card;
d) free tuition for themselves and their dependents, subject to the conditions specified in Article 21.5; and

e) access to the professional development funds specified in Article 22.2a, and the right to apply for the professional development funds specified in Article 22.2b.

18.5

a) All notices to Members required under this Collective Agreement shall be sent to the Member via their Ubishops email.

b) The University shall ensure that all Members of the Contract Faculty Bargaining Unit are provided with ubishops email addresses and Help Desk support in setting up mail forwarding systems, if they request them.

18.6

The Corporation will notify members of any changes to the Information Technology systems used by Contract Faculty at Bishop’s University at least one month in advance or at the same time as Full-time faculty.

18.7

Each academic year the Corporation shall provide a sum of money equal to the salary for teaching a three-credit course to be used for a series of six prizes to recognize excellence in teaching on the part of Members. These prizes shall be awarded by the Contract Faculty Evaluation Committee according to a set of criteria to be established by the Committee. These criteria, and the recipients of the prizes, shall be established by a majority vote of the members of the Committee.

18.8 Retirement Benefits

a) Members who are enrolled in the Money Purchase Pension Plan may retire from Bishop’s University starting on the first day of the month coincident with or immediately following their 65th birthday.

b) All Members, including those not enrolled in the Money Purchase Pension Plan, must inform the University at least 30 days before their planned retirement date.

c) To encourage their participation in the activities of the University, retired Members will be granted the following entitlements:

   i) A Bishop’s University ID card and a @ubishops e-mail address;

   ii) Free access to the services of the Library;

   d) In addition to 18.8.c, a Member who has accumulated a least one seniority or service point for 10 years (not necessarily consecutive) at the time of their retirement shall be entitled to the following:
i) Free tuition: Eligible Members shall be entitled to free tuition for all credit courses offered by Bishop’s University. The tuition benefit provisions will cease should the government withdraw its funding for the students covered by this policy.

ii) Sports Complex: Retirees shall retain the 30% discount given to Bishop’s University employees.

**Article 19 Grievance and Arbitration**

19.1 Hereafter the word "grievance" denotes any disagreement arising from a supposed violation, misinterpretation, or misapplication of all or any part of the Agreement between the Corporation on the one hand and a member or a group of members or the Association on the other hand.

19.2 Except as otherwise specified in this Agreement, the procedures detailed hereunder shall be the sole method for the resolution of complaints or grievances arising from the interpretation and application of this Agreement. There shall be no discrimination, harassment, or coercion of any kind against any person who elects to use these procedures.

19.3 All communications required by these grievance and arbitration procedures shall be delivered by a return-receipt-requested email.

19.4 Each stage of the procedure for the settlement of grievances described in the articles below must be completed before passing to the next stage, except by written consent of the parties concerned or except as provided for in Articles 19.13, 19.14 and 19.19.

19.5 Time limits may be extended through mutual written agreement between the APBU and the Corporation.

19.6 A member may submit a grievance in writing to the Corporation, within thirty (30) days of obtaining knowledge of the event giving rise to the grievance, but no longer than six (6) months after the event(s) which gave rise to the grievance, except where the member could not reasonably be expected to have become aware of the event(s) within the six (6) month period. Notwithstanding the above, a member on leave may submit a grievance on financial matters within six (6) months of obtaining knowledge of the event giving rise to the grievance. The grievance shall specify the clause(s) of the Agreement on which it is based.

19.7 The Corporation shall reply in writing with a copy to the Association, within fourteen (14) days after receipt of the grievance.
19.8 If the Corporation does not reply within the time limit set in Article 19.7, or if the response is not satisfactory to the member, then the member may submit the grievance to the Chairperson of the Joint Committee established under Article 30. This submission must be made within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of the response or within fourteen (14) days after the expiry of the time limit set in Article 19.7.

19.9 If any member of the Joint Committee is involved in a grievance, then they shall be replaced by a nominee from the appropriate body.

19.10 The Joint Committee shall meet within ten (10) days of receiving notice of a grievance. At each meeting minutes will be kept recording the positions of the parties and the decision reached if there is one. The grievant shall have the right to appear before the Joint Committee accompanied by an advisor if they so wish. The grievant shall be allowed to examine the minutes of the Joint Committee relating to their case.

19.11 All decisions reached by the Joint Committee must be unanimous, in writing, and signed by all members of the Joint Committee, and shall constitute an agreement between the Association, the Corporation and the member involved, as the case may be. Such decisions shall not constitute precedents.

19.12 The Joint Committee shall report, in writing, the decision reached or the lack of one, as the case may be, to the parties concerned within twenty-one (21) days of the initial meeting of the Joint Committee.

19.13 Association & Corporation Grievances

A grievance arising directly between the Corporation and the Association concerning the interpretation, application or alleged violation of this Agreement shall be carried directly to the Joint Committee.

The time limits for the Association or the Corporation to bring the grievance to the Joint Committee shall be those stipulated in Article 19.6.

19.14 The Association shall have the right to carry grievances involving a member through all stages of the grievance procedures in this Agreement.

19.15 The Association shall have the right to bring grievances involving groups of members directly to the Joint Committee.

19.16 Arbitration
If a settlement is not reached within the time limits set out in Article 19.13, the Association or the Corporation can proceed to arbitration.

19.17 Notice of the decision to proceed to arbitration shall be given in writing to the Corporation and/or the Association as the case may be, within fourteen (14) days of the notice of the lack of decision of the Joint Committee or within fourteen (14) days after the expiry of the time limits laid down in Article 19.13.

19.18 When the grievance concerns a claim for a sum of money, the arbitrator shall first rule on whether the claim is well founded, but remain seized of the case. If the parties cannot agree on the amount, then this dispute will be submitted to the same arbitrator by simple written notice.

19.19 A technical error in the written submission of the grievance does not imply its annulment and may be amended.

19.20 Appointment of Arbitrators

Grievances brought to arbitration shall be heard by the sole arbitrator who shall be selected according to the procedure established in 19.21.

19.21 The following persons shall serve as arbitrators for the duration of this Agreement: René Beaupré, Rosaire Houde, Francine Lamy, Pierre Laplante, André G. Lavoie, Eric Lévesque, Louise Viau. By mutual consent any listed arbitrator may be selected. By mutual consent any listed arbitrator may be removed and replaced by a substitute. If none of the persons listed above is available, the Corporation and the Association shall select another arbitrator. Failing agreement, either one of the parties may ask the Department of Labour to appoint an arbitrator.

19.22 Procedures

a. Not less than fourteen (14) days before the hearing is scheduled to commence, the Corporation and the Association shall exchange complete particulars of their respective cases, including the production of documents, names of witnesses, and summaries of their expected testimony, if available.

b. The arbitrator has the discretion to admit evidence or hear testimony not exchanged under 19.22 a.

c. At any time before an arbitration commences, the arbitrator may, on the application of the Corporation or the Association, issue directions for a pre-hearing conference to define and settle issues to be dealt with at the hearing, obtain admissions and agreed statement of facts and resolve any other issues prior to the hearing.
19.23 Decision

The decision of the arbitrator must, if possible, be rendered within twenty-one (21) days following the date when the hearing of evidence is finished. However, the arbitrator may request both parties to extend this time limit. In any case the decision is valid even if it is rendered after the expiry of this time limit.

19.24 The decision of the arbitrator shall be final, binding and enforceable on all parties. It must be executed with the least possible delay.

19.25 Limits on Arbitration

The arbitrator shall not have the power to change this Agreement, or to alter, modify or amend any of its provisions. Nor shall the arbitrator have the power to give any decision inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement. However, the arbitrator shall not be prevented by a technical error from hearing a grievance and rendering a decision.

19.26 Expenses

The costs of the arbitration under Article 19 are to be assumed jointly by the Corporation and by the Association. Each party will assume the costs of its own legal advice.

**Article 20 Salary**

20.1 The salary for teaching a three-credit course, including vacation pay of 8%, shall be

- $8493.09 from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021
- $8662.95 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- $9009.47 from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
- $9189.65 from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023
- $9373.45 for the academic year 2023-2024
- $9560.92 for the academic year 2024-2025

20.2 The salary for a laboratory course shall be one half of the regular salary in 20.1

20.3 a) The hourly wage for EWP Tutors for work accomplished for tutorials, including vacation pay of 8%, shall be

- $51.95 for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021
- $52.99 for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- $55.11 for July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022,
- $56.21 from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023
- $57.33 for the academic year 2023-2024
- $58.48 for the academic year 2024-2025
b) The hourly wage for EWP Tutors for duties other than tutorials shall be 85% of their tutorial wage.

20.4 The hourly wage for Music Tutors for work accomplished for tutorials, including vacation pay of 8%, shall be

- $89.24 for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021
- $91.02 for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- $94.67 for July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
- $96.56 from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023
- $98.49 for the academic year 2023-2024
- $100.46 for the academic year 2024-2025

20.5 For the period covered by this Collective Agreement, the Education Practicum Supervisors shall be paid, for every full day of supervision,

- $399.80 from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021
- $407.80 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- $424.11 for July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
- $432.59 from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023
- $441.24 for the academic year 2023-2024
- $450.07 for the academic year 2024-2025

20.6 The basic salary scale for Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall be that of the Assistant Professor level for the regular fulltime faculty.

20.7 Supervision of a student’s undergraduate Honours thesis shall be compensated at 1/10 of a three (3)-credit course stipend per student, for a maximum of six (6) -credits per student.

20.8 Negotiated changes to all salaries mentioned in Article 20 for all subsequent collective agreements shall be identical to, or greater than, the negotiated percentage salary increase in the salarial mass of the regular fulltime faculty and professional librarians.

Article 21 Benefits

21.1 General Provisions

a) All existing benefits applicable to Members shall be maintained except insofar as they are modified by this agreement.

b) Participation in these benefits shall be open to all Members and optional for all
Members.

c) At the request of the Association, the Corporation shall provide administrative support for the operation of these benefit plans.

d) There shall be a Joint Committee consisting of 2 representatives of the Association and 2 representatives of the Corporation for the ongoing review of group plans.

21.2 Pension Plan

Members shall be eligible for the Simplified Pension Plan if they have taught three courses in a year or have accumulated 700 hours of work.

21.3 Life Insurance

During the term of this agreement, the Corporation shall pay 50% of the premium on this policy and the Member shall pay the remainder of the premium. Members who are eligible under 21.2 are also eligible for 21.3 for a maximum of $13,500.

21.4 Free Tuition

All Members who have 8 seniority points and Quebec residency, and their dependents, shall be entitled to free tuition for all credit courses offered by Bishop's University. Dependents of a Member are defined as their spouse and those children of the Member for whom the Member could claim income tax allowances.

21.5 Travel Allowance

a) Members living in Montreal or Ottawa who are hired to teach a course or courses, whether credit or non-credit, at Bishop’s shall be granted a travel allowance in the amount shown in the chart below.

The figures in the chart represent the amount to be paid for the semester for a course taught during the Fall or Winter if the course meets one day a week. For a Fall or Winter course meeting two or three days a week, the amount is to be doubled or tripled. For a Spring or Summer course, the amount shall be pro-rated accordingly.

Members who choose to do so may reduce their travel costs by staying overnight and may therefore use some of this money for their accommodations, provided they do not exceed the daily limits shown in the chart. These Members shall not be required to produce receipts.
b) Increases to travel rates mentioned in Article 21.5 a. are identical to the negotiated percentage salary increases for Contract Faculty.

c) Members shall be notified of the amount of the travel allowance they are to receive within thirty (30) working days of the start of the semester in question. A copy of this notice shall be sent to the Association.

d) Subject to the approval of the appropriate Dean, Members travelling from further away than Montreal or Ottawa to teach at Bishop’s shall be reimbursed for reasonable and actual costs of travel to and from the place of teaching, as well as for necessary accommodations.

e) Where necessary, the amounts in 21.5a shall be increased to cover reasonable and actual costs of travel for Members travelling by bus.

f) Members travelling by bus whose teaching schedule would otherwise require them to miss the last bus, may request to the Dean to be accommodated.

g) Members not covered by the preceding clauses and who live more than fifteen (15) kilometers from Lennoxville shall be granted a travel allowance at the same cents-per-kilometer rate as those in 21.5a. These Members shall not be required to produce receipts.
**Article 22 Expenses**

22.1 Travel and Accommodation Expenses

A Member who travels on University business shall be entitled to claim and be reimbursed based upon Bishop’s University’s “Expense Reimbursement Policy.”

22.2 Professional Expenses

a) Allowable professional expenses shall include but need not be limited to:

i) expenses for travel to and accommodation at learned or professional conferences;

ii) *perfectionnement* expenses;

iii) other expenses allowable by tax regulations.

b) The Corporation shall allocate $937.50 to each Member, regardless of their type of appointment, for each regular load equivalent of 18 credits to defray professional expenses. These monies shall continue to be available for the appointee’s use until they cease to be a Member, at which point they shall revert to the University, unless the Member makes the annual offer of service referred to in Article 4.18b.

Members who receive appointments as regular fulltime faculty shall be permitted to transfer any unused PDF monies from their Contract Faculty account to their regular fulltime account.

c) The Corporation will make available an annual sum of $25,000 for the payment of professional development.

i) Members must apply for these funds by sending a written request to their appropriate Dean or authorized person by June 1 or December 1.

ii) Members may request financial support to a maximum of $750 to upgrade their academic qualifications (*perfectionnement*), to attend meetings to improve their teaching skills or to purchase specialized materials to carry out research or teaching activities. Materials purchased through these funds remain the property of the University.

iii) Evaluations of requests and allocation of funds for these purposes will be determined by a committee of Deans.
iv) Within the annual sum of $25,000, whenever a member presents a paper at a conference, the Member’s costs, including any related membership and conference fees, will be reimbursed by the University, to a maximum of five hundred dollars ($500) upon submission of valid expense receipts to the Business Office. A paper delivered at a conference refers to a presentation at a recognized meeting of academics; such a meeting will normally be organized by an academic society. A paper can include a poster session. The paper shall have been announced in a written program, and a written abstract shall be available. The paper must be presented by the Member at the conference.

Article 23  Correspondence

All correspondence between the Association and the Corporation arising out of the Agreement shall pass to and from the Principal of the University and the President of the Association. Where written notice is specified in the Agreement the University's internal mail service will be deemed adequate means. Where receipted delivery is specified the receipted delivery services of the internal email service may be used, unless the intended recipient is known to be off campus, in which case receipted and registered mail shall be used.

Article 24  Amendments to the Bishop's University Act

The Corporation agrees to consult the Association on any proposal to amend provincial statutes concerning the University.

Article 25  Anomalies

The Association and the Corporation agree to deal promptly at the Joint Committee with any anomalies that may arise from this Agreement.

Article 26  Binding Nature of Agreement

The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall, during the life of this Agreement,
be binding upon the heirs, successors, transferees, or assignees of the Corporation and the Association.

Article 27  
Copies of the Agreement

When a new Collective Agreement is ratified, the Corporation agrees to provide free of charge to the Association twenty (20) printed copies of the Agreement for its own use, and to post the agreement on the HR section of the University website in the month following the ratification.

Article 28  
Term and Duration of the Agreement

28.1 This agreement shall be binding and remain in effect to June 30, 2025. The Agreement shall remain in force and bind the parties until such a time as a new agreement is signed between them.

28.2 This Agreement shall have no retroactive effect except where otherwise stipulated in said Agreement.

Article 29  
Changes in the Agreement

Any changes in or amendments to this Agreement deemed necessary during the life of this Agreement may be made by written agreement between the Association and the Corporation and filed in accordance with the provisions of the Labour Code.

Article 30  
Joint Committee for Administration of the Agreement

30.1 A Joint Committee consisting of two (2) representatives of the Association and two (2) representatives of the Corporation shall be established within fourteen (14) days of the ratification of this Agreement. Either party may at any time, but with fourteen (14) days written notice, replace any of its representatives.

30.2 Functions

Without prejudice to the functions and responsibilities of the various duly
constituted bodies of the University, the Joint Committee shall concern itself with the following general matters:

a) the administration of the Agreement;

b) the timely correction of conditions which may give rise to misunderstandings and grievances;

c) the fulfillment of all tasks, implicitly or explicitly assigned to joint committees in this Agreement and required to bring into effect and implement the provisions of this Agreement.

Nothing in the foregoing shall prevent the parties from agreeing to expand on a parity basis the Joint Committee, or to form sub-committees thereof in order to expedite the administration of this Agreement.

30.3 Procedures

The Joint Committee shall meet as necessary. Either the Association or the Corporation may call a meeting on seven (7) days written notice. The parties shall exchange agendas at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to any meeting. All members of the Joint Committee must be present to constitute a quorum. Any settlement reached by the Joint Committee shall, when initialed by all the committee members, constitute Memoranda of Agreement between the parties.

30.4 The Association and the Corporation shall with no undue delay provide each other with such information as is necessary for the performance of the various functions assigned to the Joint Committee.

Article 31 Administration of Contract

31.1 For the purposes of conforming to the federal government’s Employment Insurance Program and the calculation of total preparation hours, the Corporation and the Association agree to use the same norms established at Quebec universities for the calculation of the preparation hours considered for three-credit course contracts. The latest norm is two hundred and seventy-five preparation hours per credit course. This norm is subject to adjustments concluded between the various parties at the provincial level and the Employment Insurance Commission.

31.2 For Music and EWP Tutors, one preparation hour will be recognized for each hour of tutorials.
**Article 32  Privacy and Campus Surveillance**

32.1 The Corporation and the Association agree that the Corporation must justify the surveillance of any Member and the introduction of any type of surveillance devices onto the University campus.

32.2 Notwithstanding 32.1, the Corporation and the Association agree that the safety of faculty, staff, students and the general public may require the diminution of individual privacy through the installation of video cameras, audio recorders or other monitoring devices in public access areas of the campus such as parking lots, walkways, building entrances, exits and hallways. Any area subject to such surveillance must be identified by a posted notice to that effect.

32.3 Video cameras, audio recorders or other monitoring devices which are used for surveillance purposes shall not be placed in the University’s classrooms without the Association’s consent. These surveillance devices shall not be placed in Members’ offices, work spaces, or laboratories without the consent of the Members involved. Any area subject to such surveillance must be identified by a posted notice to that effect.

32.4 Information obtained through surveillance devices shall not be used against Members at any time unless such information is requested by an alleged victim involved in an incident or by police authorities.

**Article 33  Information Technology**

A Joint Committee, composed of two representatives from the Corporation and two from the Association, shall be established to determine policies in the area of information technology impacting Articles 8 (Seniority and Evaluation), 18 (Continuing Practices) and 32 (Privacy and Campus Surveillance) of this Agreement. The Committee shall be struck not later than Oct. 1, 2004. It shall produce a statement of its mandate by July 1, 2005, and a statement of its policies by the end of the present Agreement.
Article 34  Continuing Contract Faculty

34.1  a) Members who have taught at least four (4) courses at the University each academic year for at least three academic years in a row, and who continue to teach at least one course a semester during the regular session at the University, shall be granted the status of Continuing Contract Faculty.

b) Courses taught by Members on temporary appointments as full-time faculty (Limited Term Appointments) shall be included in the calculations for continuing status only if they were Members before they received these appointments.

c) Pro bono courses and honors thesis courses shall also be included in the calculations for continuing status.

d) The onus shall be on the Member to assert their status as Continuing Contract Faculty.

34.2  Continuing Contract Faculty shall retain the right of access to their offices during the summer months, even if they are not teaching during this period, and no Member with Continuing Contract Faculty status shall be reassigned to a different office without their prior agreement.

Article 35  Contract Faculty Special Instructors

35.1  Except as outlined below, the Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall have the same conditions of employment as other Members.

35.2  In the determination of course allocations for a given academic year, Departments shall allocate courses to Contract Faculty Special Instructors in the same manner as is done for regular faculty and before the determination of course availability as per the Contract Faculty collective agreement.

35.3  Each Contract Faculty Special Instructor shall be a full continuing member of their department and shall have their own vote in Department and Division or School meetings. When calculating the number of courses taught by Contract Faculty for the purposes of determining Contract Faculty representation at Department meetings, the courses taught by Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall not be included, and the Contract Faculty representatives shall not be taken as representing the Special Instructors.
35.4 Each Contract Faculty Special Instructor shall have their own vote for the Chair of their Department and the Dean of their Division or the Director of their School. They shall also have the right to serve as the Chair of their Department.

35.5 Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall be voting members of the Faculty Council. For special ballot voting as required for either Collective Agreement they shall vote as Contract Faculty only.

35.6 Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall have the right to serve on any committee of the University as Contract Faculty.

35.7 Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall have the right to sit on appointments committees for regular faculty.

35.8 As individuals with continuing status, Contract Faculty Special Instructors are entitled to individual private offices with a reasonable amount of office supplies and office furniture, including a computer and a telephone. “Private” implies that access is restricted to normal cleaning and repair services and to emergencies, except by consent of the Member. Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall retain the right of access to their offices during the summer months, even if they are not teaching during this period, and no Contract Faculty Special Instructor shall be reassigned to a different office without her/his prior agreement.

35.9 Contract Faculty Special Instructors are entitled to apply for perfectionnement, sabbatical and research leaves, and for these matters shall be treated in the same manner as faculty under stream 6.04a of the Collective Agreement of the Fulltime Faculty & Librarians unit of the Association.

35.10 Contract Faculty Special Instructors shall have the same rights of access to the health benefits as the regular faculty covered by the Collective Agreement of the Fulltime Faculty & Librarians unit of the Association.
MOA #1

Memorandum of Agreement # 1

In recognition of the challenges posed by Covid, the Corporation and the Association agree to a single one-time contribution of $300 (three hundred dollars) to the Member’s Professional Development Fund (Article 21.03) for those who held at least one (1) Contract Faculty Appointment throughout the semesters of Spring/Summer 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring/Summer 2021, and Fall 2021.
Memorandum of Agreement #2

Probationary Period for New Hires

Notwithstanding Article 6.2.5 any Member who received one seniority point for a course at Bishop’s prior to July 13th 2023 shall be considered an Internal candidate once they receive a second seniority point in a different semester for the same course or for a different course in any department or program at Bishop’s.
MOA # 3

Memorandum of Agreement #3

Seniority Points merited by Members who worked as Education Practicum Supervisors in the School of Education as per Article 6.5.3 prior to July 1, 2023, shall count toward their eligibility to claim Free Tuition at Bishops as per Article 21.5.

Article 6.5.3 of the 2015-2020 Contract Faculty Collective Agreement

Evaluation and Seniority

Apart from the general regulations of Article 8, Education Practicum Supervisors shall receive seniority points for EDU 215/216 and/or EDU 328/329 and/or EDU 428/429 in the following manner: 1-5 student supervisions equal one seniority point, 6-10 student supervisions equal two seniority points, and more than 10 student supervisions equal three seniority points.
MOA # 4

Memorandum of Agreement #4 - Writing Centre Members’ Seniority Points

Continuing Members of the Writing Centre (Catherine Campbell, Laura Flick, Diana Gagne, Angie Petitclerc) shall receive one program seniority point for each of the following complete semesters worked: Fall 2021, Winter 2022, Fall 2022, and Winter 2023 – a total of four seniority points for each Member.
The Corporation and the Association agree that all Letters of Intent (LOFI’s) signed by both parties and listed below should be carried over into this Contract Faculty Collective Agreement and remain in force:

2011–09 (CF)  Pro Bono courses and Markers
2016/02 CF  Merovitz
2022/03 CF  Nancy Gallop Artist in Residence
Signatures

For the Corporation:

Claire Grogan (Chief Negotiator)
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Nick Andrews
Associate Vice-Principal Human Resources

Reem Aftanazadis
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