
BOARD POLICY ON THE CHANCELLOR

Approval Authority	Board of Governors
Primary Contact	Board of Governors
Related Policies / Legislation	<i>University Act, s. 4, 5, 11, 12 & 13</i>

PHILOSOPHY

The Chancellor is the ceremonial head of the University and serves as a member of the Board of Governors and the Senate in that capacity. The Chancellor of UFV is recognized as an individual of distinction and integrity, a person who supports the values of the University, and appreciates the importance of its work and enhances relationships within its communities.

POLICY

The Board of Governors of the University of the Fraser Valley, upon recommendation of the UFV Alumni Association and after consultation with the Senate, appoints the Chancellor of the university who serves according to the terms of reference as established by the Board.

REGULATIONS

1. DUTIES AND EXPECTATIONS

At the University of the Fraser Valley, the Chancellor:

- Chairs and presides over convocation and confers UFV credentials (degrees, diplomas, and certificates).
- Acts as an ambassador for UFV and represents the institution at major events both on and off campus.
- Is a member of the Board of Governors and the Senate.

2. APPOINTMENT

The Board of Governors appoints the Chancellor on nomination by the Alumni Association and after consultation with the Senate.

The Chancellor holds office for 3 years and after that until a successor is appointed. A retiring Chancellor is eligible for reappointment. A person may not hold the office of Chancellor for more than six consecutive years in addition to the period of office held by the person as a result of having been appointed for the unexpired term of the person's predecessor. The Chancellor must not be employed by the university.

If the office of chancellor becomes vacant for any reason before the expiration of the chancellor's term of office, the vacancy is filled as soon as practicable as described in section 11(1) of the University Act. The president of the university holds the office of vice chancellor and may act in the place of the Chancellor.

3. Selection Process

Before the expiry of a Chancellor's term, the President notifies the Board of Governors, the Alumni Association, and Senate of the impending vacancy. At the same time, the Board of Governors, in consultation with the Alumni Association and the Senate, reviews and updates, as needed, the terms of reference, criteria, and procedures for selection of the Chancellor.

Normally the process for selecting a suitable candidate is managed by a joint committee comprised of representatives from the Alumni Association, the Senate, the Board, and the student body. The Board Chair or designate, and the Chair of the Alumni Association Board of Directors serve as co-Chairs of the selection committee. The committee membership is as follows:

- UFV Board of Governors Chair or designate
- One UFV Board member selected by the Board Chair
- The Chair of the UFV Alumni Association Board or designate
- One other member of the UFV Alumni Association Board of Directors
- Two members of the UFV Senate
- The UFV President

After the President consults with the preferred candidate, the Alumni Association nominates the candidate for appointment, as Chancellor, to the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors consults with the Senate on the recommendation prior to approving the appointment of the Chancellor.
