

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Primary Contact	Board of Governors
Related Policy / Legislation	<i>University Act s. 27(2) (a) (x) (y)</i>

PURPOSE/PHILOSOPHY

To effectively govern the university and maximize support of pursuing UFV's Mission, Vision and Values, and the Integrated Strategic Plan, Board members require significant training and information related to governance, UFV, UFV's Board, and the higher education sector. The Board takes primary responsibility for ensuring members have access to a variety of educational activities.

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Therefore, it is the responsibility of individual Board members to develop their own skills, knowledge, and understanding of their role in governing the university. The Governance Committee ensures that planned opportunities for ongoing educational activities occur.

Educational activities may include:

- Orientation activities.
- Bylaw and policy reviews.
- Review of "For Information" materials regularly made available to Board members. This includes but is not limited to information in meeting agenda packages, emails, handouts at meetings, UFV Now, Academica Top Ten, etc.
- Presentations at meetings.
- Self-education through reading and other individual learning opportunities.
- Board evaluation and surveys.
- Board retreats and other planned educational opportunities.

Processes:

- Board members enter the orientation process as soon as possible after their term begins. Members are provided with a checklist of activities to track their progress.
- New members complete existing CABRO training modules in their first year.
- The Board office, in consultation with the Board Chair and President, provides members with information on available educational activities.