CANDIDATE PROFILES – VICE CHAIR OF SENATE ELECTION (2022-2023)

ALEX FERWORN

Associate Chair, Computer Science
Graduate Program Director for Computer Science, and
Master of Digital Media

Alex Ferworn is a Professor of Computer Science. He earned his PhD from the U of Waterloo, his MSc from the U of Guelph and his B. Tech from Ryerson. He serves as the Graduate Program Director (GPD) for the Creative School's interdisciplinary Master of Digital Media (MDM) program as well as serving as the GPD for the graduate programs in Computer Science in the Department of Computer Science where he also serves as Associate Chair.

He is an incoming member of the RFA Executive. He has had significant involvement in the creation of over 30 Certificate and other programs in the Chang School where he serves as the Faculty Liaison for Science. His previous experience is varied and include; Director of Professional Graduate Diploma programs in YSGS, various roles in telecommunication companies, service as a police auxiliary and as an infantry Company Commander in the Canadian Forces Reserve. His research focuses on "Computational Public Safety" applied to the work of emergency first responders in search and rescue and Chemical Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Explosives (CBRNE) roles. In 2019 his work in creating algorithms for finding lost and wandering people living with dementia was featured at the Toronto CRAM Festival.

NOEL GEORGE

Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biology
Academic Coordinator (Chemistry), Chang School of Continuing Education

During my 20+ years at Ryerson, I've had the opportunity to serve in numerous administrative and service roles spanning all levels of the university.

My administrative experience includes 7.5 years as Academic Coordinator of the First Year and Common Science Office, 7 years as Academic Coordinator (Chemistry) at The Chang School of Continuing Education, and 1 year as Program Director for Chemistry in the Department of Chemistry and Biology.

I have been an active member of my department, serving on the Contract Lecturer Appointments Committee, the Departmental Hiring Committee, Curriculum Committee and acting as Chair of Departmental Council.

At the Faculty and University levels, my most notable contributions are to the Academic Standards Committee (~4 years), the Policy 60 and Policy 46 Review Committees and the Senate Appeals Committee. I have also been a member of Senate since 2019.

I have also served on many other committees, including several Chair searches and a Vice Provost Academic search.

Through my extensive administrative and service experience, I have acquired a familiarity with broad range of Ryerson's policies and procedures, something I will be able to draw upon should I be elected as Vice Chair of Senate. Thank you for your support.