

Brock Advisory Committee

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The Committee met on the following dates: 10/13/23, 11/2/24, 1/11/24, 2/15/24, 3/14/24, and by email on 5/9/24.

The Committee revised and launched a new proposal process for returning (“mature”) programs and for Faculty Fellowships. The Committee reviewed and evaluated one mature Brock Experience and two proposals for Fellowships. Analysis and recommendations were sent to the Provost. Greg Mole was chosen as the Brock Fellow for 24-26 to design and pilot the New Orleans Brock Experience. This new course will focus on whether a community can escape its history and will feature threads of inquiry facilitated by faculty members from music, environmental science, and the history department as well as a member of the staff of the Moton Museum. The faculty team will propose the course through Civitae for review by the faculty and, hopefully, for inclusion in the catalogue moving forward.

The Committee also facilitated a series of workshops to support the continued development of the Queer Place & Voice (San Francisco) Brock Experience. Due to the needs of the instructional team and the goals of the office, these workshops were not opened to the wider community. In future years, the Committee hopes to offer workshops for the wider campus.

The Committee also reviewed processes, made updates to office publications, and considered new initiatives. In the future, there is hope for an on-campus speaker series as well as other new programs to support the recruitment of students for and the development of Brock Experiences, Civitae, and civic education more broadly.