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To: University community

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Subject: 2014-2015 Budget

The University of Ottawa wishes to inform you that the [guidelines](#) and [frame of reference](#) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year have been published, and the budget consultation process is now officially underway. These documents contain the University's strategic directions and current issues at play and will allow the University to communicate this information to its key partners in order to begin discussions on budget priorities for the coming year.

We must apply a rigorous approach when drawing up the budget for 2014-2015 and future years, particularly given the situation with tuition fees and reduced provincial per-student funding as well as the increasing costs of the pension plan, salaries and other operating expenses.

To assist with the decision-making process, the University has created a budget advisory committee, co-chaired by the Vice-President Academic and Provost and the Vice-President, Resources. They will be assisted by representatives of the University's senior administration, faculty members, support staff and students. The committee will gather the pertinent information for analysis and put forward its recommendations to allow the Administration Committee to present a balanced budget in May 2014.

Last year, when the University first held this type of consultation, close to 15 presentations were made before the committee. We hope the 2014-2015 budget consultation process will generate the same level of interest.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact a member of our [Financial Planning team](#).

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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