

President's Report

University of Windsor Senate
Friday, October 11, 2024

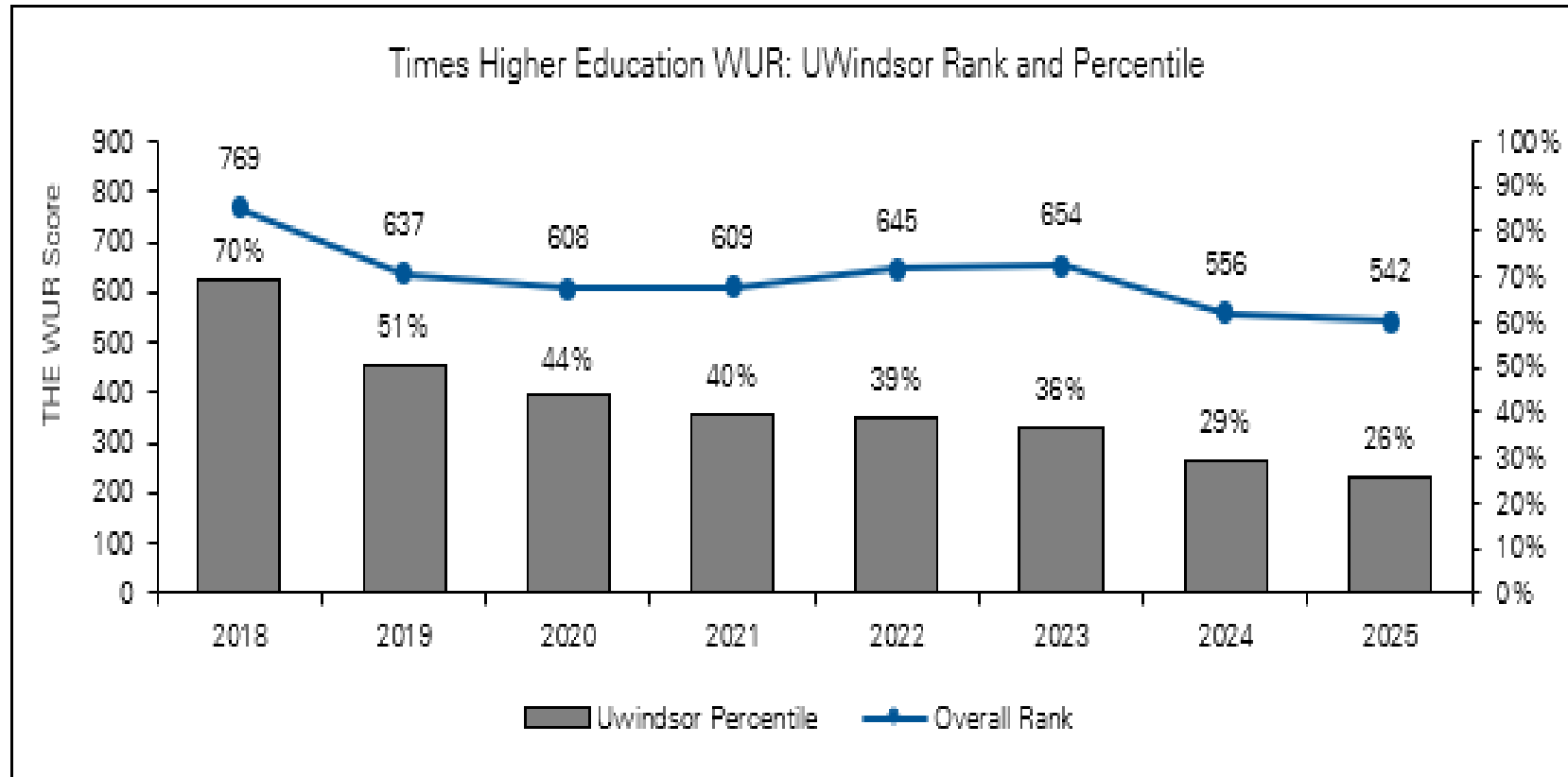


Orange Shirt Day

- “The Big Turtle” sculpture unveiling with artist Teresa Altman
- “Every Child Matters” flag raising (lowering on Oct 16)
- Riverfront community walk
- Annual Windsor Law heart photo
- Turtle Island Walk lit with orange lights
- T-shirts, lawn signs, cookbook, toques, button sales to support Indigenous students on campus
- Healing, support, and educational resources



THE Global Rankings



- **Key Areas of Improvement:** Our improved performance can be attributed to higher scores in three critical areas: research quality, research environment, and industry engagement.
- **Ranking Overview:** The 2025 edition is the most comprehensive to date, assessing over 2,800 universities and ranking 2,092 from 115 countries and regions.



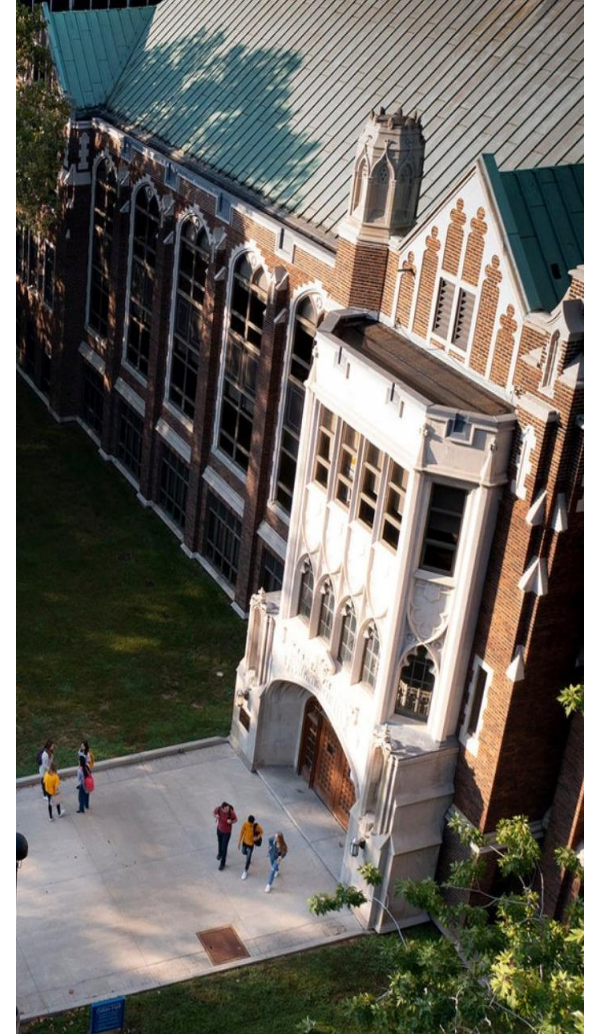
Board-Senate Retreat

- Held on Sept 25 in the Alumni Auditorium
- Alex Usher presented an important step to understanding the financial challenges and opportunities facing Canadian Universities
- Thank you for attending, video playback and slides available for viewing if you were not able to attend
- Key messages from presentation:
 - No one is coming to rescue us
 - The solutions are mostly on the cost side, not revenue side
 - There are new demographic and technological challenges
 - Program innovation will be key



Financial Sustainability Town Hall

- Nov 13 from 9:30-10:30am in Alumni Auditorium
- Topics will include budget outlook, financial challenges and opportunities
- Session will include a moderated Q&A portion
- More details to come via UWindsor's DailyNews



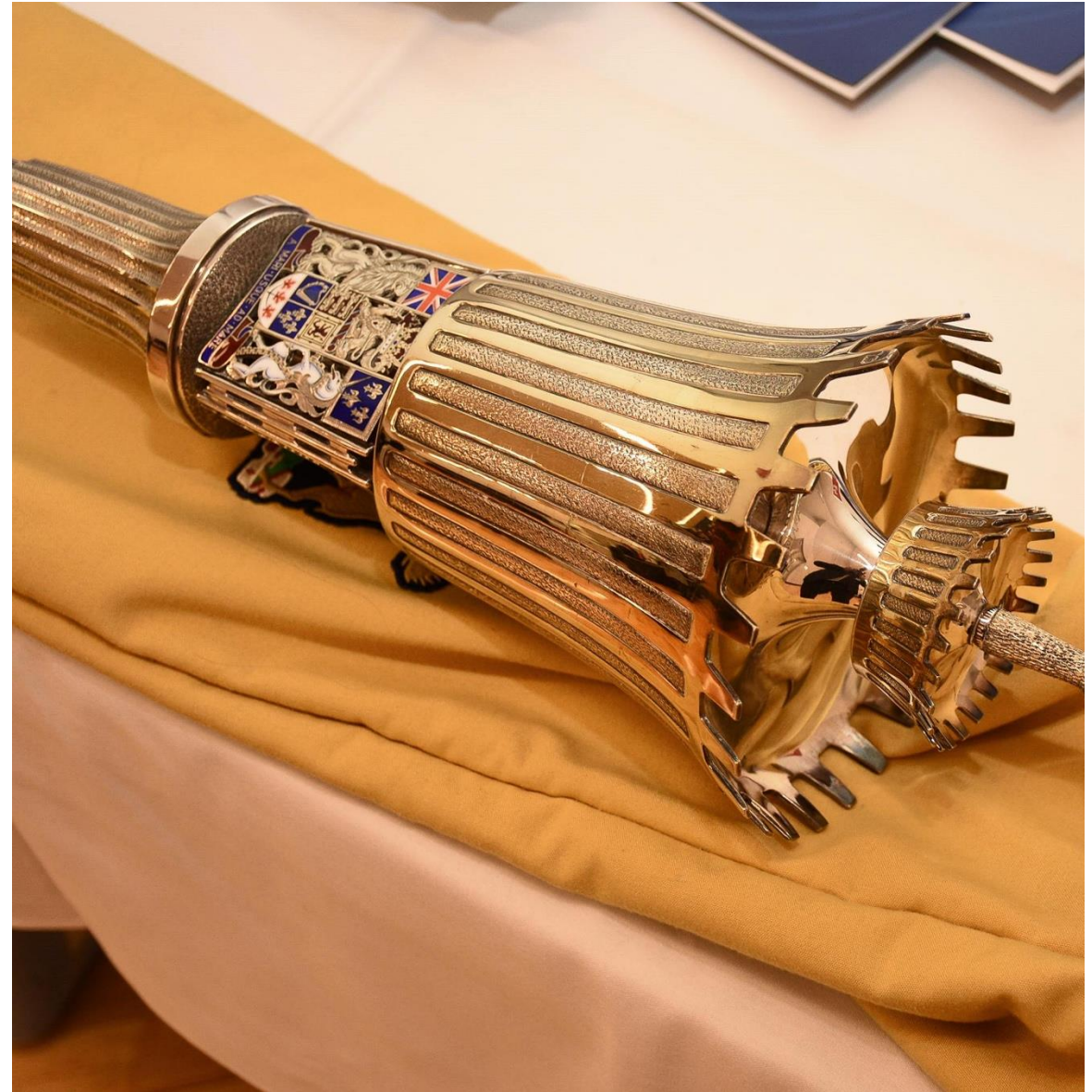
Chancellor Search Update

- Broad calls for nominations have gone out over campus-wide email and social media
- View the position profile and criteria on the University Secretariat website
- Nomination window closes October 18, 2024
- Plans are to announce our next Chancellor in later 2024 or early 2025



Fall Convocation

- October 17 and 18 at the Toldo Lancer Centre
- 4 sessions to celebrate 1,492 graduands who will cross the stage
- 2 distinguished university professors have been selected



Distinguished University Professors



Dr. Charlene Senn
Applied Social Psychology Professor
and Canada Research Chair



Dr. Narayan Kar
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Professor and Canada Research Chair



IRCC New Decision

- Reduction in Study Permit Cap
 - Study permit reduction by 10%, from 485,000 (2024) to 437,000 (2025)
 - No further reductions are expected for the 2026-27 cycle
- Graduate Students' Study Permit Requirements
 - New Requirement (2025): Master's & Doctoral students will need a provincial/territorial attestation letter (PAL)
 - 12% Reserved for Graduate Students: Study permits set aside nationally for this group
- Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) Updates
 - University graduates must demonstrate language proficiency equivalent to IELTS 6
 - Up to 3 years for university graduates (unchanged) – not tied to labour market need (vs. colleges)



Trip to India

- There remains a significant interest across India encouraging students to study in Canada.
- Tensions between our Federal Government and the Indian Federal Government are still quite high.
- Met with many universities (including a number of IIT's), state educational councils, and the Canadian High Commission.
- Exploring articulation agreements, pathways, faculty exchanges, and research partnership opportunities with many of their leading universities.



Senate Information Session

- November 1 at 2 pm on Microsoft Teams
- Topic: Academic and Research Strategic Plan
- Visit University Secretariat website for more information

