

BOARD POLICY

POLICY TYPE: Executive Limitations

POLICY TITLE: General Executive Constraint

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 2008 **REVISION DATE:** February 2019 **RENEWAL DATE:** February 2022

1. Background

- 1.1. The Minister's Binding Policy Directive 1.0 Governance and Accountability Framework and Board-President Relations Resource Document sets out high-level responsibilities and accountabilities of the Board of Governors and its relationship with the President. Durham College By-Law No, 1 (S. 13) provides more specific direction to the President, including conforming to Board Policies, ensuring that College policies support and fulfill the policies of the Board. The Board of Governors accepts responsibility for ensuring that the business and activities of the College are carried out in accordance with legislation, regulations, Minister's binding policy directives and the by-laws governing the College.
- 1.2. This policy on General Executive Constraint represents the broad, "overarching" statement of Board control. The Board grants the President the authority to use a reasonable interpretation of the Board's policies. Additional Executive Limitations provide more specific restraints.

2. Policy statements

The President shall not cause or knowingly permit any practice, activity, decision or organizational circumstance that is unlawful, imprudent, or in violation of commonly accepted business and professional ethics.

3. Monitoring

The President shall verify in writing annually that he/she has neither caused or knowingly permitted any practice, activity, decision or organizational circumstances that is unlawful, imprudent or in violation of commonly accepted business and professional ethics.