MEMORANDUM

To: Faculty, Staff, Undergraduate Student and Graduate Student Relations Committees

From: Amit Chakma, Vice-President, Academic & Provost

Date: July 12, 2007

Re: Policy 29: Smoking on University Premises

I would like to thank all the Relations Committees, Staff, Faculty, Graduate Student and Undergraduate Student, for their review and comment on the proposed revisions to policy 29. I am heartened by the support from all for many of the revisions proposed, particularly the desire expressed by the Staff and Faculty Relations Committees to move this campus to become smoke-free.

To that end, the revisions to Policy 29 which have been proposed, move UW along a continuum to a more healthful campus environment. We will, therefore, proceed as follows:
• the proposed revisions to Policy 29 stand, with the exception of the Federation of Students selling tobacco products and extending the distance of the smoking perimeter around all buildings
• sale of all tobacco products on campus will cease on April 30, 2008 and will be so noted in the revised policy; this extended date will allow the Federation to effect this change
• the smoking perimeter will extend to 10 metres around all buildings
• request AHS, in conjunction with other groups, as appropriate (e.g., Health Services) to mount an awareness campaign re: smoking
• Policy 29 will be reviewed in 18 months (by December 2008) to determine whether further revisions are appropriate

This revised policy will take effect September 1, 2007.