



THE INSTALLATION OF
MARIO TURCO

Algoma University's Second Chancellor

and

Congratulatory Messages

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 2021, 1:00 PM

Algoma
UNIVERSITY



A MESSAGE FROM ALGOMA UNIVERSITY'S CHAIR OF THE BOARD

On behalf of the Board of Governors, I am pleased to welcome, and celebrate the installation of, Mr. Mario Turco as Algoma University's second Chancellor.

In the role of Chancellor, Mr. Turco acts as the University's titular head and ambassador for the University. He also sits as a member of the Board of Governors.

As a strong community leader with a long successful history of educational leadership, Mr. Turco brings a wealth of knowledge and unwavering commitment to help advance the University's vision and mission, including a number of strategic fronts such as the implementation of its Sault Ste. Marie Campus Master Plan and Strategic Plan.

As Chancellor of the University, Mr. Turco will carry out a range of ceremonial and official functions on behalf of the University and as such, will confer all University degrees, certificates and diplomas at Algoma University Convocation ceremonies.

I, along with the members of the Board of Governors, look forward to working with Mr. Turco and are very excited to have him serve as Chancellor of Algoma University.

SHELLEY SCHELL
CHAIR, ALGOMA UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Mr. Mario Turco



Born in Italy, and immigrating to Canada as a young child, Mario Turco witnessed firsthand the importance of public education as he, his siblings, and parents rebuilt their life in a new country. Through these experiences and an impressive 42-year career, including 9 years as Director of Education for the Algoma District School Board, Mario has become a passionate advocate for student success, equity and public education. Mario is highly regarded and respected for his experience, his interpersonal skills, his knowledge, and strategic thinking. He has worked extensively with government, school boards, and organizations across the province and country.

Since retirement, Mario has been very active serving in the Sault Ste. Marie community. He continues to provide leadership mentorship and coaching to a range of individuals and currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Sault Area Hospital as First Vice-Chair as well as Chair of the Education Committee and Chair of the Recruitment and Selection Committee.

"I am honoured to serve as Chancellor of Algoma University. Working in education has been my life calling. I have been fortunate to be associated with students, educators, and other stakeholders from the elementary, to the university level advocating the importance of education to the individual and to society in general. Algoma University has exemplary leadership, faculty, and staff. I am impressed with their great work, their many accomplishments and ambitious direction for the future. I look forward to working with all members of the university and its partners to advance its vision and mission to provide first-class education while at the same time cultivating cross-cultural learning through partnerships with Indigenous communities, organizations and groups. I thank the Algoma University Board of Governors, the selection committee, and my nominators for their confidence and support in my appointment."

INSTALLATION PROGRAM OF CEREMONY

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 2021, 1:00 PM

WELCOME

Mr. David Marasco, University Registrar

INTRODUCTION OF THE CANDIDATE

Ms. Asima Vezina, President & Vice-Chancellor

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

President & Vice-Chancellor

INSTALLATION OATH

Ms. Shelley Schell, Chair of the Board

Mr. Mario Turco, Chancellor

ROBES OF OFFICE & ADDRESS

The Chancellor

WITNESSES

Ms. Shelley Schell, Chair of the Board

Ms. Asima Vezina, President & Vice-Chancellor

Ms. Shirley Horn, Former Chancellor

Mr. David Marasco, University Registrar

CLOSING REMARKS

Mr. David Marasco, University Registrar

CHANCELLOR MARIO TURCO'S ADDRESS

It is truly an honour to be installed as Chancellor of Algoma University during this year's convocation.

I would like to begin by acknowledging my predecessor, Shirley Horn, the first Chancellor of Algoma University. Shirley created a legacy of compassion and resilience that has impacted so many within the university as well as our extended community, and for that we cannot thank her enough.

I am humbled to follow in her footsteps.

My sincere gratitude to the Algoma University Board of Governors for their trust and confidence. Thank you for all you do on behalf of students, staff and faculty on all three of our campuses.

In considering the message I would share today, I found myself thinking of a number of possible themes to set the stage for the work I will champion as Chancellor over the next four years.

Since commencing my role, I have been fascinated by, and have spent countless hours researching, the rich, and at times challenging history of Algoma University and the Shingwauk site.

Algoma was titled a special mission that underlines its dual responsibility to be both a teaching-oriented university and to cultivate cross-cultural teaching and learning between Indigenous communities and other communities.

Call it fate or call it spiritual intervention, I believe there is a reason why both elements were entrenched in our special mission. This University is destined to make a significant impact locally, nationally and internationally.

Algoma has already come a long way since its inception and by building on our accomplishments to date, and with a renewed focus on our Special Mission, we have the foundation for greatness.

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Just last month, Algoma took a significant step in furthering one pillar of its special mission with the announcement of the creation of Mukqua Waakaa'igan. A national centre of cultural excellence where people of all cultures from around the world will be welcomed to share and learn from, and with, each other as part of Algoma's ongoing commitment to cross-cultural teaching, learning, healing and reconciliation.

This initiative will model how diverse people (Indigenous and non-Indigenous) working collaboratively as partners, in a spirit of equity and inclusiveness, are building and strengthening relationships that are making a difference.

And now to the *Class of 2021* - I thank you for allowing me to share in your special day. Congratulations to all of you and I wish each and everyone of you the very, very best. We are proud of your accomplishments and look forward to what the world holds in store for you, and what you have in store for the world.

Algoma University is a great place that has tremendous potential to positively impact the world.

Remember, it's not where you come from that defines you, it's where you end up that matters.

Together. I know we will achieve great things - thank you for the opportunity to be your Chancellor.

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MARIO TURCO
CHANCELLOR, ALGOMA UNIVERSITY

The above speech has been edited for space limitations. To view Chancellor Turco's Installation Speech in its entirety, watch [Algoma University Spring 2021 Convocation and Chancellor Installation video](#).

PERSONAL MESSAGES, LETTERS AND CERTIFICATES OF CONGRATULATIONS

In celebration of the Installation of Algoma University's second Chancellor, Mario Turco, the following congratulatory messages have been received:

Congratulations on your appointment Mario. I have no doubt you will be an asset to the university administration and will represent Algoma University well in our community and our province.

All the best!
Ray DeRosario

My friend you are a fine choice for this esteemed job! Congratulations! I wish I could be with you in person, but I will be sure to watch.

Regards and much love
Jill Gilmore

Congratulations!

Steve Orsini
President and CEO
Council of Ontario Universities

Dear Mr. Turco,

On behalf of HEC Montréal and myself, I am very pleased to congratulate you on your appointment as Algoma University's second Chancellor.

The challenges facing universities will have a great impact on the development of our society. I wish you every success in the rewarding process of training responsible and committed leaders.

Best wishes,
Mr. Federico Pasin
Director of HEC Montréal

Congratulations Mario on a very well deserved appointment as Chancellor of Algoma University. Proud to see my Italian colleagues advancing to such prominent positions.

Your colleague and friend,
Jake Pastore,
Board of Governors, Algoma University

We would like to extend our warmest and heartfelt congratulations on your new appointment.

Your knowledge, experience and expertise will well serve the Algoma University community.

We wish you every success.
Nick & Mary Piraino

Mario,

Congratulations on continuing your learning journey! There is no greater time for education to support leading the pathway to reconciliation. You will bring perspective and experience to your new role.

May you carry the words of Chief Joseph with you: "Let us find a way to belong to this time and place together. Our future, and the well-being of all our children, rests with the kind of relationships we build today."

Best wishes,
Lucia Reece
Director of Education
Algoma District School Board

Chancellor Mario Turco,

MacEwan University congratulates you on your appointment as the Algoma University Chancellor. You will be an excellent ambassador for Algoma and a champion of one of Canada's top universities. We wish you the very best as you take on this important role.

Dr. Annette Trimbee
President and Vice-Chancellor
MacEwan University in Edmonton, Alberta

Congratulatory letters and certificates have been received from the following:



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MAYOR PATRICK BROWN



June 10, 2021

Mr. Mario Turco
Chancellor
Algoma University
1520 Queen Street E., Room SH 301
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 2G4

Dear Chancellor Turco,

On behalf of the City of Brampton I want to congratulate you on being appointed the Chancellor of Algoma University last September. I am sure you are enjoying your role as an ambassador and assisting with raising the profile of the university. I want to wish you well during your Installation on Saturday. Thank you for your continued leadership in public education and student success. Your volunteer efforts are greatly appreciated.

I am very proud of the partnership between the City of Brampton and Algoma University. The Brampton campus will jump from 13,500 to 31,000 square feet. Algoma is primarily based at 24 Queen St., which will be the home of the university's new School of Computer Science and Technology. It is great to see the increased number of students attending the campus in Downtown Brampton. Perhaps one day you will get a chance to visit.

Once again, best wishes for continued success as the Chancellor and Chief Volunteer for Algoma University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Brown".

Patrick Brown
Mayor



Office of the President and Vice-Chancellor

June 7, 2021

Mr. Mario Turco
Chancellor
Algoma University
1520 Queen Street East, Room SH 301
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 2G4
Via email: secretariat@algomau.ca

Dear Mr. Turco,

Congratulations on your appointment as Chancellor of Algoma University.

Unfortunately, because of prior commitments to my schedule, I am unable to attend your virtual Installation ceremony on June 12th, 2021.

Included with this correspondence, please find a virtual greeting certificate with best wishes for your success on behalf of Jonathan Wener, our Chancellor, and Helen Antoniou, the Chair of our Board of Governors.

Once again, I extend my personal congratulations on your new appointment.

Yours sincerely,

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Graham Carr
President and Vice-Chancellor

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CONCORDIA

The Chancellor, the President,
the Board of Governors and the Senate of Concordia University
send their greetings and congratulations to
Algoma University
on the auspicious occasion of the installation of

Mario Turco

as Chancellor.

Further, we take this opportunity to convey
to Algoma University our best wishes
for continued success on this twelfth day of June, 2021.


CHANCELLOR


PRESIDENT


CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Montréal, Canada



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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 26, 2021

Mario Turco, Chancellor
Algoma University
1520 Queen Street E., Room SH 301
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada P6A 2G4

Dear Mr. Turco,

On behalf of the Board of Governors, Senators and our Chancellor, I am writing to convey congratulations and best wishes on your inauguration as Chancellor of Algoma University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Alan Davis'.

Alan Davis, PhD
President and Vice Chancellor



Kwantlen Polytechnic University
sends greetings and congratulations to

Algoma University

on the occasion of the installation of

Mario Turco

as Chancellor

Kwantlunast (Kim Baird)

Kim Baird
Chancellor



Alan Davis

Alan Davis, PhD
President & Vice Chancellor



The Board of Governors and the General Faculties Council of

MOUNT ROYAL UNIVERSITY

extend greetings and sincere congratulations on the occasion of the installation of

Mario Turco

as the second Chancellor of

Algoma University

on the twelfth day of June, two thousand and twenty-one

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Alex Pourbaix
Chair, Board of Governors

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Dr. Timothy Rahilly
President and Vice-Chancellor

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Dawn Farrell
Chancellor



The Chancellor, the President and the Board of Governors of

Ontario Tech University

extend congratulations and best wishes

on the occasion of the installation of

Mario Turco

as Chancellor of

Algoma University

on the 12th day of June, 2021

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Dr. Steven Murphy
President and Vice-Chancellor



Redeemer
University

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May 27, 2021

Mario Turco, Chancellor
Algoma University
1520 Queen Street E.
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 2G4

Dear Mario Turco:

It is my privilege, on behalf of the faculty, administration and students of Redeemer University, to offer you our congratulations upon your installation as the Chancellor of Algoma University on the twelfth of June.

Thank you for the invitation to the installation festivities; however, I regret that I will not be able to attend.

Please accept my best wishes and prayers for a challenging and rewarding experience as Chancellor of Algoma University.

Sincerely,

David Zietsma, Ph.D.
Interim President

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The President of
The Research Universities' Council of British Columbia

sends his sincere greetings and best wishes
on the occasion of the Installation of

Chancellor Mario Turco

as the second Chancellor of Algoma University
on June 12, 2021



D. Max Blouw, PhD ICD.D
President

Saint Mary's University



The Board of Governors, the Senate and Faculty of
Saint Mary's University

To

Algoma University

Greetings

Saint Mary's University, with cordial goodwill, Congratulates

Algoma University

on the installation of

Mario Turco

as

Chancellor

of Algoma University



Given at Halifax, Nova Scotia this
Twelfth day of June, 2021

Robert Summerby-Murray, PhD
President and Vice Chancellor



*The Chancellor, President, Board of Governors,
Senate and Faculty of*

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

*send their sincere greetings and best wishes
on the occasion of the installation of*

Mario Turco

as

Chancellor

of

Algoma University

*on the twelfth day of June
in the year two thousand and twenty-one*

TAMARA VROOMAN, O.B.C.
CHANCELLOR

JOY JOHNSON
PRESIDENT & VICE-CHANCELLOR





*Fredericton, New Brunswick
Canada*

sends greetings and congratulations to

*Algoma University
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario*

on the occasion of the Installation of

Mario Turco

as its

Second Chancellor

*on the twelfth day of June
in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-one*



Dawn Russell
Dawn Russell
President and Vice-Chancellor



Greetings

Universities Canada to
Algoma University

As President of Universities Canada, I extend congratulations to Algoma University on the occasion of the installation of Mr. Mario Turco as its second Chancellor. Universities Canada joins with its member institutions across Canada in conveying sincere good wishes to Mr. Turco, as he assumes office as Chancellor.

Paul Davidson
President,



*The University of New Brunswick
To Algoma University*

GREETINGS

*The Chancellor, the President and Vice-Chancellor, the Board of Governors, and the Senates of
the University of New Brunswick extend congratulations to ALGOMA UNIVERSITY on the
Installation of MARIO TURCO as Chancellor.*

*The University of New Brunswick joins with others in conveying sincere
best wishes to Chancellor Turco.*

GIVEN at Fredericton, New Brunswick, this twelfth day of June, Two Thousand and Twenty-one.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Paul Mazerolle' in a cursive script.

*Dr. Paul J. Mazerolle
President and Vice-Chancellor*

June 1, 2021

Mr. Mario Turco
Chancellor
Algoma University
1520 Queen Street E., Room SH 301
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 2G4
Sent by email: secretariat@algonau.ca

Dear Mr. Turco,

I am writing to offer you my heartfelt congratulations on your upcoming installation as Chancellor of Algoma University.

Throughout your distinguished career, you have been a strong advocate of the importance of education – right through from the primary to the post-secondary level. You have collaborated with government, school boards, and organizations across our country, including 9 years as Director of Education for the Algoma District School Board.

I am confident you will carry out this new and important role as Chancellor with energy and distinction, and have already identified where your remarkable talent and expertise can be best used to build on Algoma's strengths.

You are an extraordinary ambassador and role model for students. This is a wonderful opportunity to leave your own unique mark on the minds of students who can be inspired to change the world.

Best wishes for continued success!

Sincerely,



Jacques Frémont
President and Vice-Chancellor

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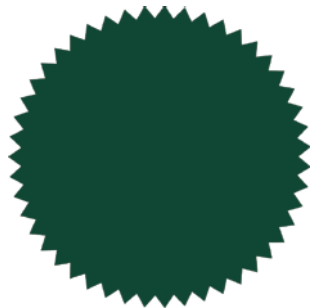


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The Chancellor, The Senate and The Board of Governors
of
The University of Regina
send
Greetings and Congratulations
to
Mario Turco

on the occasion of his installation as the 2nd
Chancellor
of Algoma University
Saturday, June 12, 2021



Samela Klein

Chancellor

[Signature]

President and Vice-Chancellor



**Shaping your future
Viens créer ton avenir
Naaknigeng niigaan ge mno-aabjitooyin**

June 8, 2021

Mr. Mario Turco
Chancellor
Algoma University
1520 Queen Street East
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 2G4

Dear Mr. Turco

On behalf of the University of Sudbury, its Board of Regents, faculty, staff and students, I would like to extend congratulations on the occasion of your installation as Chancellor of Algoma University.

Although prior commitments preclude my attending the virtual installation in June, I trust that you will find this new challenge rewarding and I wish you every success in your new role.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Meehan, SJ
President and Vice-Chancellor

Att.



Le Conseil des Régents
et
le Sénat
de

The Board of Regents
and
the Senate
of the

L'UNIVERSITÉ DE SUDBURY

UNIVERSITY OF SUDBURY

adressent
leurs vœux et salutations
à

extend
greetings and congratulations
to

MARIO TURCO

à l'occasion
de son installation
dans ses fonctions de

on the occasion
of his installation
as

**CHANCELLOR
of
ALGOMA UNIVERSITY**

ce
8^e jour
du mois de juin 2021

on
this 8th day
of June 2021

John Meehan, SJ, PhD
Recteur et Vice-chancelier
President and Vice-Chancellor



is pleased to extend greetings to

Algoma University

and offer our congratulations and best wishes to

Mario Turco

on the occasion of his installation as Chancellor

*given this twelfth day of June
two thousand and twenty-one.*

The seal of the University of the Fraser Valley is a circular emblem with a brown background. It features the text "UNIVERSITY OF THE FRASER VALLEY" in a serif font, with a stylized white leaf graphic below it.

Andy Sidhu

Dr. Andy Sidhu, Chancellor

Joan MacLean

Dr. Joanne MacLean, President & Vice-Chancellor

WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY

CONGRATULATIONS



*The Senate and the Board of Governors of Wilfrid Laurier University
offer sincere congratulations to*

Mario Turco

on the occasion of your installation as

*Chancellor
Algoma University*

on the 27th day of May 2021



*Dr. Deborah MacLatchy
President and Vice-Chancellor
Waterloo, Ontario, Canada*



THE CHANCELLOR, PRESIDENT,
BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND SENATE OF

York University

TORONTO, CANADA

SEND THEIR SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS
AND GREETINGS TO

Algoma University

ON THE OCCASION OF THE INSTALLATION OF

Mario Turco

AS

Chancellor

ON THE TWELFTH OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-ONE

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CHANCELLOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "André ...".

PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR



