

Academic Plan Committee
2007-2008

Members:

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Charge: *It shall be the charge of the Academic Plan Committee to assist in the intermediate and long-range planning of the overall academic functioning of the college. The Committee shall study the important matters affecting the academic development of the college and recommended changes and/or new proposals. The Committee shall seek the cooperation of faculty, students, administration, professional staff and off-campus consultants. Some of its relevant areas of concern include:*

1. *Mission of the College*
2. *Master Plan*
3. *Regionalism*
4. *Enrollment Projections*
5. *Recommendations of accrediting agencies*

Name of Chair submitting report: Roswell Park

Anticipated vacancies in 2008-2009 for committee members: Student representative; it appears that both members with expiring terms intend to renew.

Annual Report

The APC seeks to achieve maximum transparency and participation in the commonwealth of the college. As such, it is an advise and counsel body, comprising the highest senatorial membership of any standing committee. The emerging practice of 2007-2008 was for APC members to participate in as many relevant collegiate initiatives as possible and, in so doing, to both represent and assure the committee's transparency function. These activities included:

- *SUNY Course Re-Design Initiative:* APC involvement contributed toward identification and submission of the Economics Department first year-level course ECO101 for re-design funding at the state-wide level.
- *Middle States' Periodic Review:* APC met and worked with co-chairs Steven Chris and Robert Delprino in multiple capacities, including several Stakeholder Forums, so as to facilitate report preparation.
- *College Strategic Plan:* APC chair is a standing member of College Planning Council and chaired its task force on facilitating faculty-student interaction, toward the CPC's efforts to build upon its strategic initiative in fostering quality learning experiences. This task force comprised several APC members, as did the CPC's other four designated task forces.
- *Ad Hoc Graduate Issues Committee:* APC student member participated in the successful initiative to enhance graduate student Senate participation.

In the forthcoming year, APC expects to assume a particularly active role in the college's presentation of its Strategic Plan to the extended Buffalo State community. It will serve as the instrumentality toward securing its formal Senate approval.