Academic Assessment Committee

Charge: The Academic Assessment Committee will provide oversight, identify needs, develop recommendations and policies regarding institution-wide assessment of student learning in order to strengthen the university and enhance its accountability. It will also recommend changes in academic assessment processes; review the usefulness of academic assessment strategies, reporting strategies and feedback processes; and ensure that assessment data is used to inform decision-making at all levels. The committee will support, fully or in part, faculty initiatives related to the improvement of academic assessment programs. The Committee will maintain close communications with the Faculty Senate, the Office of the Provost, The General Education Council, and other appropriate committees, administrative bodies, and academic units.

Objectives:

- 1. Review individual programs' assessment plans and processes and recommend ways for improvement
- 2. Advise faculty, departments and colleges on assessment procedures and methods
- 3. Review and implement policies for reporting assessment data
- 4. Develop and implement policies for dissemination of assessment data
- 5. Solicit proposals from faculty and award funds for initiatives to improve assessment

Annual Report and Presentation: The Faculty Senate requests that this committee provide a written report to the Faculty Senate by April 15 of each year. This report should summarize the body's activities during the prior year, provide appropriate statistics and data, and outline planning for the following year. This report should be approved by the membership of the committee. The chair of this committee shall contact the President of the Faculty Senate to schedule a presentation to the full Senate by this same date.

Membership:

- 1. Director of Academic Assessment, who serves as chair.
- 2. One faculty member from each of the six colleges, Honors, and University College, appointed by the respective dean or Director and approved by the Faculty Senate, to serve staggered three year terms.
- 3. The Director of the General Education Council.
- 4. An undergraduate student, appointed by SGA, for a one year term.
- 5. A graduate student, appointed by the Dean of the Graduate School, for a one year term.

| Capacity | Member | Term Expires |
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| Director of Academic Assessment | | Permanent |
| Director of General Education | | Permanent |
| College Representatives | BUS | 2013 |
| | ED | 2013 |
| | FAC | 2014 |
| | HBS | 2014 |
| | NSM | 2015 |
| | LA | 2015 |
| | HNR | 2014 |
| | UC | 2015 |
| Undergraduate Student | | 2013 |
| Graduate Student | | 2013 |

Meetings: Monthly September through May

Reports to: Provost

Send minutes to: President of Faculty Senate