

TITLE:	Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (PIE) Council
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PURPOSE:	To formalize the University's coordinating committee for planning and institutional effectiveness
REVIEWER AND REVIEW DATE:	PIE Council, Fall 2031 and every five years thereafter

OPERATING DETAILS:

1. The Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (PIE) Council is the principal instrument through which the University's program of continuous improvement is administered. With assistance from the University's functional units, the PIE Council assesses and recommends institutional planning and budgeting priorities based upon sound educational planning. It collects and analyzes data, monitors progress toward goal attainment, reports findings, and recommends actions to improve institutional performance in alignment with the mission of the University.
2. The membership of the PIE Council shall consist of both ex-officio members and those appointed by the President. Ex-officio members shall include the President, the Director of Institutional Research and Assessment, the SACSCOC liaison, the Secretary of the Faculty Senate, the Vice President of the Staff Council, the President and Vice President of the Student Government Association, and the Culture, Community, and Access Council Officer. The President will appoint eight faculty members, six staff members, and one external representative. Of the eight faculty members, there must be two from each college, one from each school, and one from the library; they must include at least one Dean and two Department Chairs from different colleges. Of the six staff members, there must be one from each of the primary administrative divisions, excluding University Counsel, and they must include at least two who report directly to the President and two holding an administrative position at or above the level of Director. Positions made vacant prior to expiration of the term will be filled by appointment by the President.
3. Appointed members will serve staggered five-year terms. Ex-officio members will serve during the period they hold the primary office.
4. The Chair will be appointed by the President from among the members. If a faculty member is appointed Chair, appropriate release time shall be provided, subject to approval by the department chair and dean.

5. PIE Council will meet regularly during the academic year. Annual planning and reporting documents shall be developed and disseminated campus wide. Minutes from all meetings shall be made available for campus review.

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