

Council of Academic Deans
September 30, 2014

Summary and Action Items

- **SLAC Services and Collaborative Opportunities:** Dr. Carol Dochen and Ms. Lindley Alyea provided the Council with an update on SLAC as well as their resources and some of their collaborative endeavors, including the Supplemental Instruction program.
- **Requirements for Doctoral Program on College and University Plans:** Dr. Debbie Thorne and Dr. Andrea Golato distributed a document that departments interested in pursuing a doctoral programs are required to complete before the program may be considered for academic plans at the college and university levels.
- **Consideration of PPS 8.10 – Tenure and Promotion Review:** Discussion focused on proposed changes for PPS 8.10. The question raised in the comments on proposed changes to the policy was whether or not explanatory comments were to be prohibited or required for faculty denied tenure or reappointment. Language agreed to states that “comments may be provided but are not required.”
- **Fall 2014 Preliminary Enrollment Report and Undergraduate Admissions Report:** Dr. Michael Heintze provided the Council with the following:
 - brief update on the fall 2015 freshman application status
 - Fall 2014 Preliminary Enrollment Report
 - elimination of the second reading day in the spring semester in order to add a final exam day – endorsed by the Council
 - immediate actions to make progress toward meeting the freshmen recruitment and graduation criteria for NRUF eligibility:
 - eliminate the ESTARS program
 - keep the Pathway Program at 200 students
 - expand the Merit Scholarship program criteria to the top 25% class rank
 - add a staff member (admissions counselor) to the Dallas-Ft. Worth area
- **Role of Graduate Student Assistants:** Dean Golato announced that UPPS 07.07.06 will be revised to make clear that graduate student assistants cannot have access to the records of other graduate students and cannot be involved in grading other graduate students’ work.
- **Graduate Admissions Report:** Dr. Golato provided the Council with the graduate admissions report.

OFF AGENDA

- Dr. Heintze announced to the Council that the registration system will not be open during the holiday break. The system will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 19, 2014, and will reopen on January 5, 2015 at 7:00 a.m.
- Dr. Bourgeois announced that parking restrictions on Green and non-reserved Red spaces will be lifted at 3:30 for the Texas State vs. UL-Lafayette football game on October 14, 2014.
- Dr. Bourgeois asked the Council to inform him of any requests for campers requesting disabled accommodations.