ACADEMIC PLAN 2010

University Affairs Committee
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ACADEMIC PLAN 2003

- Provost Robert Shelton appointed 15 faculty, 5 administrators (including himself), and 4 students, and the committee began its work in March 2002.

- Professor Darryl Gless, Department of English and Senior Associate Dean for the Fine Arts & Humanities, College of Arts and Sciences, co-chaired the committee with Provost Shelton.

- The committee’s work was completed in April 2003, and the final plan was presented to the Board of Trustees for review and approval in July 2003.
Six Unranked Priorities/Themes

- Strongest possible academic experiences for undergraduate, graduate, and professional students.
- Further integrate interdisciplinary research, education, and public service.
- Significantly strengthen faculty recruitment, retention, and development.
- Increase diversity among faculty, students, and staff.
- Enhance public engagement.
- Extend global presence, research, and teaching.
Initiating the Academic Plan for 2010

- The Provost will convene the committee.
- There will be two co-chairs, one to organize the meetings and the other to organize the deliberations and the decisions. Preferably, one will be from Academic Affairs and the other from Health Affairs.
- As before, faculty, administrators, and students will participate.
- The final plan should be ready by early fall 2010.
Special Challenges for 2010

- We need to better define what constitutes “engagement”.
- Extending Carolina’s global presence has had some successes, but also faces some challenges.
- The financial situation intrudes but should not deter us in our planning. From the 2003 report’s Introduction: “No challenge is greater than the economic downturn that has gripped the nation and North Carolina since early 2001”.

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Anticipated Steps for the Committee

- Consult recent relevant reports.
- Assess the status of the 2003 Plan’s recommendations and the success of the Action Steps. This may be lengthy.
- Discuss new directions/dimensions that should guide our future investments. Energy and environment are but two (related) examples.
- Draft the new plan and engage all of campus in its goals and implementation.
Background Materials

- 2003 Academic Plan
- UNC Tomorrow
- Carolina: The Best Place to Teach, Learn, and Discover (Ellison and Raynor)
- Future of Promotion and Tenure (Brown)
- Study of the Impact of Enrollment Growth on the Application and Matriculation Decisions on Prospect Students (Art and Science Group)
Connect, Communicate, and Create: Helping Carolina Attract and Inspire the Best Students (Farmer and Reznick)
Diversity Plan: Goals, Strategies, and Responsibilities
Diversity Plan Report 2008-2009 (Ervin)
Strategic Roadmap for Globalization (Lebold, Coclanis, and the Global Leadership Circle)
UNC Efficiency and Effectiveness Options (Bain & Co.)
The Role of the Board of Trustees

- Final approval is your responsibility.

- The University Affairs Committee could receive status reports from the Co-chairs.

- Are other UAC members available for informal conversations with me and the Co-chairs?