University Standing Committee on Admissions (Undergraduate)

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Zoom

Meeting ID: 946 8159 8197 Passcode: Morant

Minutes

Call to Order: 2:03pm

- Members Present: Tamah Morant (chair), Antonio Planchart, Cathly Crossland, Charles Clift, Daniel Monek, Dave Provost, Don Hunt, Holly Hurlburt, Jennifer Capps, Jon Westover, Kelly Lynn Mulvey, Krista Ringler, Melissa Merrill, Tameka Whitaker, Tameshia Baldwin, Traci Lamar
- Meeting Adjourned: 2:57pm

Welcome by Tamah Morant

Self-introduction of membership by membership

Review of committee charge by Tamah Morant

Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting on May 3, 2021

Introduction of and remarks by Dr. Don Hunt, Sr. Vice Provost for Enrollment Management and Services

- Three Primary Focus Areas guiding the process of information gathering discovery tour
 - Technology
 - Transfer Student Access
 - Diversity

Review of the suspension policies and readmission application process (mm 17:57) Review of the <u>process for evaluating and voting</u> on appeals <u>Deadlines</u> for appeal submissions

Update on undergraduate admissions by Jon Westover

- Incoming freshman class largest in history: 4,980
- Plus: 1390 transfer students
- Continued growth in number of students from underrepresented groups
- Third year in a row with more female than male students in the incoming class
- Large increase in students from Tier 1 and 2 counties
- Large increase in number of first generation students
- Waiver of standardized test scores:
 - 48% submitted scores

- Not uniform across colleges (heavier STEM colleges had higher percentages of submitted test scores
- Had to look at supporting materials differently (plus impact of COVID on student access to opportunities, learning styles, etc)

Questions:

- Cathy Crossland: Is the waiver of standardized test scores temporary? Is there any study being undertaken to understand the impact of the waiver on incoming or future student quality?
 - Jon Westover: No. But the Board of Governors has agreed to maintain the waiver for Fall 2022 while they make a longer-term decision.

Open Discussion / Topics to discuss at subsequent meetings:

- Reminder to keep in mind our responsibility to file a CARES Report if we find something that causes concern in a appeal submission
- Reminder to check on and respond to appeals regularly

Scheduled upcoming meeting dates

- **Tuesday, October 19, 2-3** (tentative if issues arise that we need to discuss)
- Tuesday, November 30, 2-3pm
 - Post-classes and pre-grade submission to review/refresh process and walk through a couple of examples

Important Dates:

Term	Appeal Available	Appeal Deadline*	Notification Date
Spring 2022	September 13, 2021	January 6, 2022	January 7, 2022
Summer I 2022	September 13, 2021	May 16, 2022	May 17, 2022
Summer II 2022**	September 13, 2021	June 23, 2022	June 24, 2022

These dates are subject to change. Decisions may be returned prior to the final Notification Date. *Deadline for students appealing for continuation eligibility. Students appealing for financial aid eligibility only are encouraged to submit the appeal prior to the first day of class for the appeal term.

International Students appealing for Fall eligibility should submit appeals by the Summer II deadline.

**Summer Appeals: Students may only submit one appeal for Summer. Students who appeal by the Summer I deadline may enroll in any Summer term.