

Enrollment Committee

Annual Report to the University Senate, 2021-2022

The Senate Enrollment Committee met twice in Fall 2021 and twice in Spring 2022, and members of the committee also attended the 2022 Annual Enrollment Workshop of the Enrollment Planning and Management Division in January. The committee chair changed between semesters from Jeffrey McCutcheon to Catherine Little. The Enrollment Committee did not bring any motions or action items to the Senate agenda this year but regularly updated the Senate Executive Committee on our discussions.

Topics of discussion across the 2021-2022 academic year included regular updates on the “test optional” pilot, details regarding demographics of enrollment, and projections for future enrollment. In addition to the regular updates provided to the committee by the VP for Enrollment Management and Planning, the committee will also hear an update at our final meeting of the year from Morgaen Donaldson, who is leading the Neag team evaluating the test optional pilot. Committee members expressed interest in seeing more detailed demographic details on UConn enrollment, and in spring 2022 committee members are being provided with access to more detailed reports from OIRE and guidance in understanding the reports.

An ongoing topic for discussion is the interaction of projections for enrollment with budget implications, as well as longer-term projections for enrollment that may be emerging following the completion of the University’s strategic plan. In 2022-2023, we expect increased discussion for the committee on longer-term enrollment planning, including attention to specific enrollment planning for the regional campuses. Another ongoing topic that the committee is monitoring is the progress of legislation around legacy admissions and potential implications for the University’s admissions policies and procedures. The VP for EPM and the committee acknowledge that legacy admissions are not currently part of UConn’s admissions procedures, but the question of authority over admissions processes that the proposed legislation raises is one that may yield further attention in the future. A third ongoing topic for discussion with the committee is the progress and experience of students in the program for regional campus students living at Storrs. The committee has received regular reports indicating some successful achievement and retention outcomes for this group but acknowledges some concerns raised by the Student Welfare committee and related need for ongoing monitoring.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Little, April 26, 2022

Enrollment Committee membership:

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*Terrence Abney, Residential Life

*Robin Bogner, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Science

*Mark Peczuh, CLAS, Chemistry

*Susana Ulloa, ISS Academic Program Center

*Mark Zurolo, SFA, Art and Art History

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Miranda Davis, CLAS, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
Nathan Fuerst, Vice President for Enrollment Planning & Management (Ex-Officio Member)
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