Provost’s Report

WSCUC Reaccreditation Visit (October 1 – 3)

The campus continues to prepare for the WSCUC team’s visit on October 1 – 3. In the past couple of weeks, Su Swarat and I have presented to various groups in preparation for the visit. The visiting team is scheduled to meet with many different groups while they are on campus in October. There is a confidential email address available to send comments to the visiting team while they are here: csuful@wasc.org. There will also be the following open forum opportunities to speak with members of the visiting team:

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After the self-study was completed with input from multiple committees and with campus-wide input, we identified some strengths and challenges. The following were included in our Institutional Report:

- **Areas of strengths:**
  - Commitment to quality education
  - The 2013-18 and 2018-23 strategic plans, established through broad participation and reflection, reaffirmed the institutional goals and educational objectives
  - Strong tradition of shared governance
  - Focus on student success with extensive curricular and co-curricular support
  - Commitment to diverse faculty and staff
  - Campus-wide assessment and quality assurance processes
  - Institutional research and institutional effectiveness capacity to support data-informed decision making.
  - Excellent IT infrastructure on campus

- **Areas of improvement:**
  - Uneven quality of assessment and quality assurance processes across campus
  - Communication of data and information to all constituencies
  - Student support to address different student populations’ needs (e.g., graduate, online, and transfer students)
  - Funding and resources to address deferred maintenance, expand support services, etc.
2019 Convocation
It was wonderful to see many of you at last week’s Convocation where we welcomed new students, faculty, and staff to the Titan family. It was an honor to introduce the Outstanding Professor for 2019, Dr. Matt Englar-Carlson, and to watch the University Singers debut the new Cal State Fullerton Alma Mater. Dr. Christopher Peterson wrote such as beautiful and meaningful Alma Mater.

Academic Affairs/Academic Senate Retreat
On Friday, September 6th, we gathered for a very informative retreat. The purpose of the retreat was to learn how successful community partnerships formed and their mutual benefits and challenges. For me, the mission was accomplished. We heard from three panels of excellent speakers, each of whom has creatively connected with community partners to answer critical questions or address significant problems. The speakers reminded us that it is essential to listen to our partners because they often have innovative ideas and a clear vision of what is needed. We were reminded by one speaker, Dr. Natalie Tran, director for the NRCAL – National Resource Center for Asian Languages, to revisit our passion and to find time to develop our ideas. This was a crucial message. Our ideas are a tremendous resource on our campus, and it is vital that we nourish and develop them.

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