

Student Success Committee Charter

Purpose:

Western Washington University aspires to advance inclusive success, increase its impact in Washington and beyond, and enhance the quality of its education programs and student learning experiences and its research and creative work. Directed by the Board of Trustees, the purpose of the Student Success Committee is to develop an understanding of Western's academic affairs and student affairs, with the intention of providing strategic oversight to advance student success at the University.

Responsibilities:

The Committee is advisory in nature and assists the Board of Trustees in ensuring that the University makes substantive progress in its mission fulfillment goals.

The Committee will provide strategic oversight of matters related to advancing student success, including undergraduate education, graduate education, and outreach and extended education programs:

- Progress towards the University's academic performance goals, including student persistence and graduation rates, educational quality, and faculty hiring and development.
- Access and affordability of educational programs in serving the education needs of Washington.
- Progress on graduate education goals and the graduate student experience.
- Delivery of outreach and extended education programs.
- Advancing diversity and equity initiatives, climate and culture.

The Board may refer to the Committee other matters related to the general welfare of students, staff and faculty, including, for example, student safety, health and wellness, and policies governing student conduct and student organizations.

Membership:

The Student Success Committee shall consist of three trustees selected by the Board, and the Student Trustee. The Committee's liaison to the Board is the Chair of the Student Success Committee. Additionally, the President in consultation with the Board Chair shall appoint one or more ex-officio members from among the officers of the University, who will serve as staff and primary liaison(s) to the Committee.

Operations:

The Student Success Committee shall meet at least four (4) times annually. Additional meetings may occur as the Committee or its chair deems advisable. Depending on the agenda, the Committee will invite members of the administration, faculty, students or others to attend meetings and provide pertinent information. The Committee will keep adequate meeting notes of all its proceedings, and will report on its actions and activities at the next meeting of the Board.

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