

ACADEMIC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE

The Academic Information Technology (AIT) committee is a standing Subcommittee of the Academic Policy and Planning Committee (AP&P). It is the consultative committee for matters relating to academic information technology planning, resources, policies, procedures, and evaluation and relating the use of technologies in instruction, research, and faculty development.

The committee's area of concern is policy recommendation, planning and operational monitoring of the academic development and utilization of Information Technology (IT) offered by the university, including advisory oversight of centralized university IT organizations such as the Academic Technology Center (ATC), Information Technology Services (ITS), the Academic Innovation Center (AIC), Digital Campus, and Campus Information Systems (CIS).

The committee consists of:

1. Faculty: Nine to be appointed by AP&P, one from each college/school and one from the library. Appointees should be selected from those whose areas of interest and expertise are closely related to the concerns of the committee and the Information Technology concerns of their academic units. Faculty representatives are expected to provide collaborative leadership among the faculty of their colleges/schools and the AIT Committee.
2. Student: One student to be appointed by the Associated Student, Inc.
3. Ex-Officio:
 - A. As voting members, the directors of ITS, ATC, Digital Campus, AIC, and CIS (or designees) whose duties are closely related to the committee's area of concern.
 - B. As a non-voting member, the Provost (or designee) whose duties are closely related to the committee's area of concern.

- C. As a non-voting member, the Vice President of Student (or designee) whose duties are closely related to the committee's area of concern.
- D. As a non-voting member, a technician liaison from the IT Support Council.

The committee's primary goal is to foster the effective and appropriate use of information technology among the academic units within the university to enrich instruction, research and other creative activities of the campus student population and academic personnel. The committee's specific duties include:

1. Make policy recommendations to the Academic Policy & Planning Committee on matters relating to the development and utilization of information technology.
2. Advise and initiate recommendations and/or review recommendations made by campus IT providers (e.g., ATC, ITS, Digital Campus, AIC, Central Valley Internet Project, Campus Information Systems, etc.) on the planning, adoption and acquisition of information technology resources, policies, procedures and evaluation.
3. Foster cooperation and mutual support among decentralized information technology operations within academic units, and with campus-wide providers of IT resources and expertise.
4. Maintain liaison with various campus IT resources, committees and task forces, and expertise entities and the decentralized technical support operations in the various academic units.
5. Evaluate and provide feedback on the implementation of technology initiatives and processes.
6. When requested by the Academic Senate, AP&P, or the Provost, the committee may assume an advisory role for campus-wide IT provider organizations, possibly to help facilitate strategic planning, identifying essential missions, objectives and priorities, or reorganization. In performing this role, the committee may form ad-hoc team(s), drawing

on additional talents from faculty with some needed expertise as needed.

7. Identify information that should be communicated to the university community (e.g., the status of information resources, new developments, problems and issues, opportunities), and, when appropriate, disseminate via the AIT website, University Relations (e.g., Journal, Bulletin Board), My Fresno State portal, etc.
8. Nominate AIT members (or faculty members with reporting responsibilities) for appointments to technology committees, boards, task forces, etc.

The Academic Policy and Planning Committee (AP&P) is the academic policy-consultative body for the Academic Senate. AP&P's policy recommendations in the area of information technology will normally include appropriate consultation with the Academic Information Technology Committee.

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