

Hello!

The following is our September update from our GSO student representatives to our faculty committees on campus. The purpose of having a graduate representative on our committees is to represent you, Marquette graduate students, but, also, to inform you as to what is happening within the university.

We will disseminate a monthly email with updated information about our committees. If you have any questions or concerns about a particular committee, please do not hesitate to contact our GSO student representatives. If you are interested in serving on a particular committee as a student representative during the 2013-2014 academic year, please contact the GSO at [gso@marquette.edu](mailto:gso@marquette.edu).



1. *Board for Student Media—Patrick Johnson*

- Introduced new members to the board, discussed budget and financial standing of student media, and then began a brief conversation on the restructuring of student media.

2. *Committee on Academic Policies and Issues—Aishwarya Shankar*

- Haven't met yet

3. *Committee on Academic Technology—Maggie Cinto*

- Haven't met yet

4. *Committee on Teaching—Matthew Costello*

- Discussed two major awards given to faculty members during the 2012-3 academic year, the [Way Kilingler Award](#) and the [Teaching Excellence Award](#).

5. *University Academic Senate—Greg Gillman*

- UAS will be part of [Strategic Planning Process](#) - at each monthly meeting the Senate will be discussing pieces of the strategic planning process. October will be a [discussion of the themes](#)
- Please feel free to make your voices heard by [submitting your comments here](#)

- Enrollment update
  - i. Freshmen class (budget for 1850, recruit 1950) looking like 1930. Last year was an exceptionally big freshmen class and caused some strain within the colleges.
  - ii. Increased tuition revenue; increased diversity in class (25%); fewer transfer students than expected – cause is likely financial aid model
- [Reaffirmation of Accreditation process](#) with the Higher Learning Commission
  - i. Dr. Eric Thomas will be visiting 9/27 for a "get to know you" meeting and will be meeting with GSO and MUSG
  - ii. Preparation for that visit involves a "self-study" which has been drafted by 6 sub-committees – they are preparing drafts that will be presented to Board of Trustees in December, and to Marquette community in January; a third draft will be available in the spring based on feedback. A fourth draft will be made available in June/July for site visit.

6. *University Assessment Committee—Michelle Nemer*

- Sharron Ronco and Michelle Nemer – progress of the Assessment Reporting Management System implementation and training for AT11-12 Assessment Reports
- John Su – status of Assessing the Core Curriculum initiatives and progress
- Sharron Ronco - HLC Self-Study, Criterion Four update in preparation for the Higher Learning Accreditation.
- Work Plan focus for AY12 – 13
- PALS workshop for new Program Assessment Leaders on September 21<sup>st</sup>

7. *University Board of Graduate Studies—M. Luke Samalya*

- Haven't met yet

8. *University Library Board—Heidi Wacker*

- Haven't met yet

9. *Facilities Master Planning Committee—Katie Friesen*

- Restoration of three historical buildings