Applied Learning Task Force Proposal

The Applied Learning Task Force has been charged with providing at minimum one recommendation/resolution outlining the structures and processes for the approval and tagging of SUNY Approved Criteria Applied Learning courses/activities.

What We Propose:

Two parallel collaborative bodies: 1) a faculty standing committee tasked primarily with oversight of curricular (credit-bearing) Applied Learning, and 2) a collegewide committee that facilitates collaboration among stakeholders on issues related to the broader vision for Applied Learning at Old Westbury.

Applied Learning Faculty Standing Committee

Responsibilities

- Soliciting and reviewing AL course syllabi from faculty for Registrar tagging, including record maintenance
- Providing faculty support, which may include: organizing faculty workshops, supporting faculty course conversion according to SUNY criteria, and overseeing AL course development initiatives
- Compiling data on curricular AL for reporting to SUNY
- AL course assessment

Membership

- Five faculty elected from the voting members of the College faculty, including at least one faculty member from each of the three schools
- To be eligible to serve, a faculty member shall have experience teaching Applied Learning courses
- Two-year staggered terms (In Year 1 of the ALF, we propose 3 two-year terms and 2 one-year terms)
- The Chair of the committee shall receive one course release in the spring semester of the Chair's term.

Collegewide Applied Learning Coordinating Committee

Responsibilities

- Ongoing evaluation of processes related to the College's commitment to AL, including consideration of curricular and co-curricular initiatives
- Meet at least once per semester to foster collaboration and coordination of curricular and co-curricular AL initiatives
- Promote development of AL opportunities in curricular and cocurricular contexts, including the distribution of financial resources as available
- Grant writing and advocacy

Membership

- One representative from ALF and one representative appointed by the FS
- One representative of a collaborative co-curricular (non-credit-bearing) working group of AL initiatives/institutes (e.g. OWWR, WC)
- One representative each from: FYE Program, RAM Program, relevant non-academic units (Career Services, CSLI, International Programs Office, Registrar's Office), Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Student Government
- Co-chairs elected by membership to include one faculty member and one professional staff or administrator