University Admission Council (UAC) 2020-2021

Appointed by: Provost

Charge: **Standing Charges:** The Subcommittee on Admissions and Financial Aid is a subcommittee of the Senate Academic Policies Committee and reports to the Executive Committee and the Senate through that committee.

The Subcommittee shall represent the Senate in the University Admissions Council and inform the Senate of the Council's work.

Its members shall also be the Senate's nominees to the University Admissions Council, and the chair of the Subcommittee shall normally serve as chair of that Council.

The Subcommittee shall brief the Senate each fall on the current year's admissions results and financial aid commitments, and each spring on projections for the following year. The Subcommittee shall report annually to the Academic Policies Committee and Senate in writing.

**Additional Charges for AY 2020-21:** The following specific charges are made with the understanding that members of this Subcommittee represent the faculty on the University Admissions Council and that these charges are, in effect, the business of the entire Council.

Work with Associate Vice President Wes Waggoner and Associate Provost Sheri Kunovich to:

1. Monitor the competitiveness of financial aid packages compared to our peers and aspirational peers for all socio-economic segments, especially the most underprivileged students.
2. Evaluate current processes for recruitment, scholarship support and retention initiatives to increase the racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity of the student body, both among transfer and non-transfer students.
3. Evaluate any ethnic, racial and socioeconomic disparities in the updating of financial aid packages from year to year as students progress toward graduation.

**Month for membership update:** September 2021

**Membership:**

Chair: Eli Olinick, 2020-2021 (Lyle)
ExCom Liaison: Pia Vogel (Dedman III)

Members:

2021—Pia Vogel, Professor of Biological Sciences (Dedman III)
2022—Elena Borzova, Senior Lecturer (Lyle)
2023—Eli Olinick, Associate Professor of EMIS (Lyle)

Gauri Bhat, Associate Professor (Cox)
Committee membership
Representatives of the Faculty
**Committee Chair: Eli V. Olinick, Associate Professor of EMIS (Lyle)
** Ex Com Liaison: Pia Vogel, Professor of Biological Sciences (Dedman III)
**Elena Borzova, Senior Lecturer, Lyle
**Gauri Bhat, Associate Professor, Cox

Members of Admissions Office and Academic Affairs
Wes Waggoner, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management
Marc Peterson, Director of Financial Aid
Ellen Richmond, Director of University Advising Center
Elena Hicks, Dean of Undergraduate Admission

Representatives from Colleges’ Administration
Jim Bryan, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs, Cox
Ebony Dixon, Director, Office of Recruitment and Retention, Lyle
Kevin Hofeditz, Professor of Theater and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Meadows
Renee McDonald, Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs, Dedman
Terry Teague, Operations and Customer Relations Manager, SMU Global and Online

Recording Secretary, Julie Gardner, Provost’s Office

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Meetings for 2020 – 2021 (ZOOM from 3:30 – 5:00 pm until further notice)

Tuesday, October 6, 2020
Tuesday, November 3, 2020
Tuesday, February 2, 2021
Tuesday, March 2, 2021
Tuesday, April 6, 2021