Academic Admissions Standards Committee (AASC) Spring 2022 Report

Membership:

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Members:

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Corinne Diop, College of Visual and Performing Arts
Katie Dredger, College of Education
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Charge:

- The JMU Academic Admissions Standards Committee will recommend initiatives to align admissions and execution of instruction with the strategic goals of the Academic Affairs division.
- Our core principle is: Admission standards to academic programs, like the execution of instruction, should be determined by the Division of Academic Affairs.

Objectives: The success of this committee's effort will be measured by the formulation of inclusive admissions criteria with periodic updates, the creation of an effective, transparent admissions decision process, and the analysis and documentation of the following objectives:

- Standards: Investigate individual program admissions, progression and graduation standards.
- Trends: Identify and recommend academic areas with the greatest potential for growth.
- Resources: Identify the needs and considerations for resources such as space, funding, personnel, materials, technology requirements, and others to meet evolving enrollment demands.
- Capacity: Examine university infrastructure and create a clear metric that ensures adequate capacity for academic programs.

Summary of Current Semester Activity:

- Added Melinda Wood as a member of AASC.
- Set up meetings with all JMU Deans to discuss AASC recommendations and to gather feedback about next steps.
- Began examination of <u>FY Admissions criteria and requirements</u>, particularly the math requirement.

Future Work Planned:

- Will complete meetings with Deans on May 25, 2022; we will then compile an aggregate report about observations and feedback to be shared back with the Deans.
- Will continue to work with Admissions requirements and to think about the next steps for (and the next iteration of) this committee. In the Dean's meetings there were nominations for new college representation as well as questions about how best to move the work of the committee forward.