



Regents' Administrative Committee Institutional Research & Planning

Fall 2024 Meeting Minutes

Date: September 18, 2024

Location: Online - Microsoft Teams

Introductions

Samantha James, RAC-IRP Chair, Georgia Institute of Technology, started introductions at 8:30am and started by introducing the Executive Committee members. Institutional representatives were then asked to introduce themselves.

Presentations

Angela Bell, Vice Chancellor for Research and Policy Analysis, University System of Georgia, provided RPA and System Office updates. Angie sent a copy of her slides out via listserv. Angie's presentation was not recorded.

Rich Loftus, Associate Vice Chancellor for Strategic Implementation, University System of Georgia, provided an update on the Unified ERP project. This presentation was recorded, and Rich's slides were sent out via listserv.

Patrick Harris, Research Associate, University System of Georgia, and Leslie Hodges, Research Associate, University System of Georgia, provided updates on IPEDS reporting. Patrick discussed significant changes in IPEDS reporting in the current 24-25 cycle and next year's 25-26 cycle. This presentation was recorded, and the slides were sent out via listserv.

Rob Gannaway, Founder and CEO, Steppingblocks, presented about the Steppingblocks platform, with emphasis on the Graduate Insights app which is primarily relevant for institutional research offices. Rob provided some sample use cases from institutions across the country. This presentation was recorded.

Pearson Brown, Research Associate, University System of Georgia, presented "Examining the Relationship Between Course Modality and Academic Outcomes in Subsequent Courses." Pearson's data focused on results for success in first and second English courses. Slides were shared via listserv. Pearson's presentation was not recorded.

Andrew Westbrook (Assistant Director of Data Science), Zhen Zhang (Data Scientist), and Isha Naidu (Business Intelligence Analyst), University of Georgia, presented "The Sorting Hat: an Undergraduate Admissions Yield Dashboard with Exclusion Buckets and Predicted Metrics in Power BI." This presentation was recorded.

Brian Mallett (Director of Institutional Research) and George Banketas (Reporting and Data Management Specialist), Georgia Southwestern State University, presented "Dashboarding Examples from Georgia Southwestern."

Business Meeting

At 2:25pm, Samantha James called the Business Meeting to order.

Allan Aycok, RAC-IRP Treasurer, presented the financial statement. The financial statement was approved by the committee.

Nicholas Gewecke, RAC-IRP Secretary, presented the Spring 2024 minutes for approval. These meeting minutes were approved by the committee.

Samantha James presented changes to the sector representatives. Barrie Fitzgerald and David Gribbin are continuing on to second terms as sector representatives for Research/Regional Universities and State Colleges, respectively, while Adrian Wade is replacing Brian Mallett as the sector representative for the State University sector.

Samantha gave some information about the planning of the Spring 2025 meeting. A "Save the Date" is expected to go out in February after the date and location have been determined.

Samantha reminded everyone of the Power BI trainings that are being offered by the system office and encouraged everyone to complete a Fall 2024 Meeting feedback survey.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44pm.