

Faculty Senate Informational Items
December 20, 2024

1. Certificate in Public Policy- the certificate in public policy was reviewed by the Committee on Academic Programs and Planning and the authors responded to committee feedback. Supporting documentation for the certificate can be found on the Senate website. This is not an action item and is considered for review as an informational item (Procedure 2040, Section IIC).
 - a. Per Procedure 2040, Section IIC:

Academic offerings other than degree-granting programs must progress through internal and external review processes; however, they progress through review processes for information purposes only. FYI items include the following types of offerings:

1. *In-program minors*
2. *Interdisciplinary minors*
3. *Concentrations/tracks/areas of interest/areas of specialization*
4. *Certificates*
5. *Educational endorsements*
6. *Miscellaneous offerings*

Those proposing the new offering should present it to the Deans Council, the APP Committee, the Faculty Senate, and the Provost Council for communication purposes. Each entity requires only a single reading, as the presentation is for information only. The Provost will also present FYI items to the Cabinet and President, as well as to the BOTAPP Committee. The proposal is sent to the AIC committee of the NJPC as an FYI item as well. Those proposing academic offerings other than degree-granting programs should consult the staff in the Office of the Provost to clarify the requirements for the presentation of nondegree-granting programs to internal and external governance.

2. Ospreys Navigate pilot- an initial pilot for Ospreys Navigate was performed in the Fall semester. The pilot members have been working with Academic Affairs to begin developing a set of best practices with the platform. The pilot will be extended into the Spring semester, with the hopes of increasing the number of Faculty participants. The goal for this phase of the pilot is to complete our development of best practices for faculty while working on the internal routing system for student alerts. Please stay tuned for more information detailing how you can volunteer to be a pilot member in the Spring.
3. Attributes discussion- the Faculty Senate Executive Committee organized three virtual sessions and one Faculty Assembly to discuss the attributes. During the assembly, Faculty endorsed the writing program's resolution to continue working with faculty, administrators, the union and senate on a Writing Enhanced Curriculum. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will continue these

discussions through the Spring semester as resolved during the May 2024 Faculty Senate retreat.

4. AI resources- the Center for Teaching and Learning Design continues to develop resources related to Artificial Intelligence in the classroom. Please utilize the resources found on their [website](#) while planning your Spring semester courses.

In addition to these Senate items, the Provost will also provide an update on some of the initiatives that the Division of Academic Affairs has been working on. Please look for this update in an upcoming email.

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee would like to express our gratitude to all of you for your hard work throughout this Academic Year. We hope that you all enjoy a restful winter break and we look forward to seeing you all in the new year at our next faculty senate meeting on Friday, January 24th, 2025.