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**Recommendations of the Programs Planning Conference  
September 2007**

1. For the Fiscal Year 2009 budget, there will be a moratorium on new programs unless the program has already been approved by the Board of Regents.
  2. Consolidation of programs may be considered and is recommended in areas identified in the conference.
  3. To address quality issues of current programs, all programs (Administrative, Student Services, Academic, CRE, and Sponsored Programs) will have at a minimum, an evaluation plan and tentative results by Fall Semester 2008. The Institutional Assessment Plan Development will be accelerated to have a draft working document by the end of October 2007. The college will provide training and technical assistance to departments, programs and campuses.
  4. To ensure viability of programs, the college will establish a working group to develop benchmarks for programs to include at a minimum:
    - Enrollment
    - Graduation rates
    - Retention and Persistence Rates
    - Seat Cost
    - Enrollment Management Indicators
  5. The college will develop formal mechanisms on how to address state/national/student priorities.
  6. The college will explore with other Institutions of Higher Education (IHE) linkages for programs and degrees.
  7. The college will survey employers and others IHEs on quality issues relating to COM-FSM graduates and transfer students.
  8. The college will implement the President's Retreat 2007 findings for improving linkages between the K-12 and college system to address quality of incoming students and assist with improving retention, persistence and graduation of students.
  9. The college will develop a recruitment and retention plan.
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