Inclusive Excellence at UW-La Crosse

February 10, 2011
Engage the campus in a series of discussions and events to gather information and raise awareness

- Presentations to functional units
- Programs and workshops
- Inclusive Excellence Taskforce meetings
Determine the primary goals for our Inclusive Excellence initiative

- Improve retention of diverse students
- Improve retention of diverse faculty and staff
- Improve campus climate and increase overall awareness by engaging entire campus community
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Actions

• Form workgroups to research issues and develop recommendations for achieving each goal
• Establish a Marketing/Communications Committee
• Establish an Assessment and Benchmarking Committee
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• Establish an Implementation Committee
• Establish a “Promoting Inclusive Excellence Day (PIE Day)” Committee
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Overall Campus Goals

Yearly Goals and Activities
Engage ➔ Embed ➔ Assess ➔ Refine
Examples of important achievements:

- Workgroup goals and timelines
- Comprehensive Inclusive Excellence website
- Online Registry for yearly unit goals and outcomes
- UW-La Crosse Inclusive Excellence Logo
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• UW-La Crosse Inclusive Excellence definition

“Inclusive Excellence is our active, intentional, and ongoing commitment to bridge differences with understanding and respect so all can thrive.”
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• Curricular infusion: Focused program of workshops, presentations, one-on-one consultations

• Education: Online, modular self-assessment and educational program to increase cultural competence and encourage “equity-mindedness”
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• New comprehensive survey of recently hired faculty and staff to gauge employee satisfaction across all aspects of employee engagement (campus climate; unit collegiality; salary; support for professional development; etc.)
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- New comprehensive student exit surveys to capture data on why students choose to withdraw from UW-La Crosse, as well as their plans for the immediate future after withdrawal
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Develop comprehensive long-range planning document and assessment tool

• Flexible to encompass both campus-wide and individual unit goals
• Adapted from the Association of American Colleges and Universities’ *Inclusive Excellence Scorecard* to fit UW-L’s needs
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Includes four broad areas:

- Access and Equity
- Diversity in the Formal and Informal Curriculum
- Campus Climate
- Student Learning and Development
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| | Active commitment to develop each individual’s diversity-related base of knowledge and practice | • Added to annual review  
• 80% of unit members have completed 2 Equity-Mindedness or Cultural Competency modules, or attended 2 or more “Inclusive Fridays” each year |
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Goals: Spring, 2011

Assessment and Benchmarking Committee

• Update the IE website with the long term planning document for use by units/departments

• Distribute standard Response Form for use at all Inclusive Excellence events (piloted at Diversity Dialogues)

• Develop several proposals for a single campus climate “diversity metric” to measure campus climate that could be implemented in the next year
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Goals: Spring, 2011

Implementation Committee

• Implement and analyze student withdrawal and new employee surveys
• Assist with student focus groups
• Implement cultural competency program where students/staff complete requirements and receive recognition
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Goals: Spring, 2011

Marketing/Communications Committee

• Meet with University Publications to understand how to embed the Inclusive Excellence message on campus
• Create an Inclusive Excellence brochure for release fall semester
• Create an Inclusive Excellence “campaign” perhaps in conjunction with Campus Climate Council and the message re: civility on campus
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Goals: Spring, 2011

*Promoting Inclusive Excellence (P.I.E) Day*

- Explore ways to introduce and reintroduce Inclusive Excellence to campus
- Expand P.I.E. Day to a week of activities in conjunction with CATL?
- Review evaluations from Diversity Dialogues to make changes for next year
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