

**Integrated Planning and Budget Committee (IP&B) Summer 2017
Recommendation Regarding the Communication of New College Initiatives**

August 31, 2017

Proposal

IP&B recommends that PaRC ask that new initiatives, including their link to the mission, educational master plan, and student learning, continue to be shared through the governance process as noted in the Governance Handbook.

Rationale

As stated in the 2012 Governance Handbook (page 10 – Program Creation):

"Program Creation is handled similarly to resource allocation of existing programs to ensure the proposed program meets a substantiated student need, is aligned with the college mission and that the college is able to commit to the resource needs of a program **before** the program is in development stages."

“Divisions or program areas identify new programs, **significant program expansions, or other initiatives**, which would be viable, and meet emerging student needs. This identification could be based on program review, changing demographics or workforce needs, developing technologies, etc.”

{Emphasis Added}