

Charge:

The Recruitment, Admissions and Support Committee (RASC) shall work with and advise Admissions at Western Washington University, and will make recommendations to the University about recruitment, admissions, and support of students, with an expected outcome of increases in the proportion of highly talented students from across the cultural spectrum enrolled at WWU.

Membership Summary:

The Recruitment, Admissions & Support Committee shall consist of twelve (12) members:

- Seven (7) faculty appointed by ACC broadly representative of the university, with no more than one faculty member per department and no more than two faculty per college;**
- Two (2) students appointed by the Associated Students Board; and
- Three (3) in Administration: Director of Admissions, Associate Director of Admissions, and the Registrar.
- Admissions Counselors are invited to attend meetings.**
- The Director of the International Center is a permanent guest of the RASC.
- Administrators hold ex officio, non-voting status and may not serve as chairperson.

Chair: The Chairperson of RASC shall be elected by and among the faculty members at the first meeting of Fall Quarter. The Chair shall be a faculty member in the second year of service on the committee, and following service as chair shall serve at least one more year on the committee to provide continuity.

Meetings: RASC meets at least twice per quarter, is a Standing Committee of and reports directly to the Academic Coordinating Commission. Copies of minutes of all meetings are approved (via email if necessary) and forwarded to ACC promptly for review.

Recruitment: RASC evaluates and promotes strategies to involve faculty in increasing the yield of admitted students as part of the institutional enrollment plan: //.. Advises on means whereby prospective students from under-served and under-represented populations become informed and aware of the requirements at WWU to successfully prepare to meet the eligibility requirements.

//.. Advises on strategies for the recruitment of

//.. Honors students and other highly talented students, -

//.. Students from diverse backgrounds, -

//.. International students. -

Admissions: RASC advises Admissions on the implementation of the admissions policies of WWU: -

//.. Advises and consults with WWU Admissions on a holistic approach to admitting students. -

//.. Ensures that Admissions policies and practices are easy to access and understand by potential Western students, the public, and the staff and faculty at Western. -

//.. Recommends policy for admission and enrollment with credit or advanced standing -

//.. Reviews and develops articulation agreements with community colleges and high schools to enhance academic preparation for entry into majors programs. -

//.. Advises Admissions on handling admissions complaints and appeals. -

//.. Helps eliminate problems that transfer students have in learning about academic options, and helps coordinate and simplify procedures for entry into major programs, all-university programs, and the General Studies major. -

//.. In collaboration with Admissions, provides faculty with comparison information on recruitment, admissions, and support practices at other universities. Annually informs the ACC about 1) admissions decision statistics for undergraduate and graduate programs and 2) major RASC initiatives. -

//.. Helps decide which students to readmit to WWU and when exceptions to the existing admissions and readmissions policies are warranted. (See Charge for Scholastic Standing Sub-Committee of Admissions). -

Support: RASC participates in devising an array of strategies and tactics to enable recruited students to be sufficiently supported financially, administratively and academically, thereby: -

//.. Increasing the likelihood that student expectations of exemplary experiences at Western are fulfilled, -

//.. Thus encouraging prospective students to attend the university ;Xnot only honors and other highly talented students ;Xbut also students from diverse backgrounds, international students, veterans, and students with disabilities. -