Technology

Goal: Update a technology plan that uses resources effectively and ensures access to and the development of high quality technology.

✦ The Strategic Technology Plan for 2000-05 was submitted and approved. (August-01)
✦ Technology needs for 2001-02 were identified and $7.27 million allocated in the 2001-02 Vision Budget. (August-01)
✦ Vision Budget funds for 2000-01 were provided for a refresh of 20% of the College's desktop microcomputers which was 1,941 PCs and 300 Macintosh.
✦ A web page development steering committee was formed. (March-02)
✦ 20% of the College's desktop microcomputers (2,178 PCs) were replaced. (March-02)
✦ Reviewed Web Content Management software systems to manage the creation, review and approval of web pages for the College Internet and Intranet websites. (August-02)
✦ Revised Technology related College Policies and Procedures. (August-02)
✦ The College Technology Committee reviewed all proposed technology vision projects for FY 2002-2003 and revised the Strategic Technology Plan to reflect new project areas. (August-02)
✦ 21% of the College's desktop microcomputers (2,178 PCs and 133 Macs) were replaced. (August-02)

Goal: Continue to implement an efficient technology infrastructure.

✦ Vision Budget funds for 2000-01 were provided for an upgrade of 20% of the network infrastructure and Odyssey enhancements. (August-01)
✦ 16% of the network infrastructure was upgraded. (March-02)
✦ Mainframe disk and tape systems were upgraded, yielding 50% improvement in performance. (March-02)
✦ Server disaster recovery hardware and software were installed in the Data Center. (March-02)
✦ Odyssey was enhanced including expansion of purchasing functionality; rewriting of encumbrance system; enhancement of department requisition menu; better display and research capabilities; additional information about the state of a purchase order; and enhancement of finance year-end processes. (March-02)
✦ Web enhancements were made including: student portals; student advising; credit card payments for registration; admissions and registration for Continuing Education students. (March-02)
✦ To improve network security, a new firewall to protect Data Center resources from internal network was installed. (March-02)
✦ Implemented wireless network connectivity in ECOTA. (August-02)
✦ Phase II of the Network Infrastructure Upgrade project was initiated. (August-02)
✦ Reviewed mainframe software to reduce costs. (August-02)
✦ Purchased a new operating system for the mainframe to support Odyssey. (August-02)
✦ Completed an RFP to evaluate development of a diverse (discrete yet redundant) Internet link on the Wolfson Campus for College-wide fail-over service. (August-02)

Goal: Provide training to support the application of technology to support student learning, including Virtual College (distance education).

✦ College Training & Development provided workshops in WebCT, FrontPage, and other software to facilitate faculty use of technology. (August-01)
✦ College Training & Development is meeting with Department Chairs to determine discipline specific needs. (August-01)
✦ Virtual College expanded course offerings to 33 courses, and received accreditation. (August-01)
✦ A new Virtual College portal was developed and implemented. (March-02)