

**COLLEGE** of  
**BUSINESS &**  
**TECHNOLOGY**

*FY 13 Academic Plan*  
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## Vision

- ◎ The University and College of FIRST Choice . . .
- ◎ The College of Business and Technology will be a recognized center of excellence in teaching, research and service and a global learning community for sharing ideas, values and solutions. Therefore, we will be the college of choice for those pursuing a business or technology degree program.

# Mission

- ◎ To prepare students to **Thrive, Contribute, and Lead** in the technology-driven global economy . . .
- ◎ The College of Business and Technology provides an innovative, interactive education that fosters ethical sensitivity and prepares our graduates to thrive, contribute, and lead in the technology-driven global economy. We accomplish this through an intellectual partnership among students, faculty, and the global community.

# Strengths

- ◎ CBT has academically and professionally qualified faculty and staff who are committed to educating the rising generation . . .
- ◎ CBT benefits from WIU's international reputation for excellence . . .
- ◎ CBT is one of ten universities that have a college that includes business programs and technology programs in the same academic unit . . .

# *FY 12 Goals Update*

- Develop a comprehensive undergraduate recruitment plan.
- Continue growth for the School of Engineering.
- Enhance the CBT technical degree offerings in the Quad Cities in Engineering Technology and Information Systems.

# *FY 12 Goals Update*

- ◎ Hire full-time Software Applications Technician/Web Master for the College.
- ◎ Address the needs for software, laboratory upgrades.
- ◎ Increase student access to and participation in internships.

# *FY 12 Goals Update*

- ◉ Continue progress on new degree programs and certificate offerings.
- ◉ Develop and implement an integrated bachelor's degree/ MBA degree for non-business undergraduates.
- ◉ Address enrollment growth in the Construction Management major.

# *FY 12 Goals Update*

- ◎ Address the needs for classroom upgrades and enhancements.
- ◎ Continue development goals as a part of University's capital campaign.
- ◎ Develop additional online courses to meet the market demands for online education.



# *FY 12 Goals Update*

- Continue with plans for a Forage Research Center that will become a state-wide focus point for research into improving livestock forage throughout Illinois.
- Address necessary upgrades to the Agriculture teaching facilities and research infrastructure.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Learning Culture*

- ◎ **ABET Accreditation** campus visit for Engineering was conducted in November 2011. Will be notified in August 2012 of final recommendation.
  
- ◎ **ATMAE Accreditation** for Engineering Technology and Construction Management was approved by the ATMAE Board of Accreditation in November 2011.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Learning Culture*

- ◎ **ACCGC Accreditation** is in process for Graphic Communications with visit scheduled for April 2012.
- ◎ **AACSB Accreditation** continuous improvement activities are ongoing in preparation for reaffirmation in 2014-15.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Learning Culture*

- Appointed Dr. Jim Patterson Interim Assistant Dean at the Quad Cities campus.
- Computer Sciences completed a redesign of the Information Systems degree, converting the program from a B.B. to a B.S.
- Completed a feasibility study for new minor in Entrepreneurship.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Learning Culture*

- ◎ Integrated LEJA BS/MBA approved by the Graduate Council. Integrated bachelors/MBA proposals for Computer Science and Business programs are forthcoming.
- ◎ Interdisciplinary projects are underway between Agriculture and Biology for research projects at the Agricultural Field Laboratory.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Learning Culture*

- ◎ Continued and improved CBT Career Week with more than 250 students participating.
- ◎ Co-Sponsored the Economic Outlook Luncheon in the Macomb Chamber.
- ◎ The Department of Management and Marketing hosted “SCM Day” activities in both Macomb and the Quad Cities.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Learning Culture*

- ◎ 234 students (12%) from all seven CBT departments completed academic internships during FY11.
- ◎ The first 500 level graduate courses (ACCT 547) is being developed in an online format and will be taught summer 2012.

## *FY12 - Enhanced Culture for High Achieving Students*

- The CBT supported 27 student organizations. Many received national awards in 2012 and were involved in service and community outreach.
- Engineering seniors completed capstone design projects at Deere and Company, The Mandus Group, and the Quad Cities Manufacturing Lab.



## *FY12 – Access and Equity*

- ◎ CBT participated as a sponsor during WIU's celebration of Black History Month/Hosted alumnus Tamara Harris as a special guest speaker for minority Entrepreneurs.
- ◎ CBT bolstered transfer admissions by building relationships with community colleges and attended recruiting events at nine community colleges.

## *FY12 – Access and Equity*

- ◎ Collaborated with WIU admissions staff at college fairs and statewide recruiting events.
- ◎ Successfully recruited and hired a College Webmaster and Software Tech.
- ◎ Center for Economic Education sponsored the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Economics Day

## *FY12 – Access and Equity*

- ◎ College National Advisory Board continues in its 20<sup>th</sup> year.
  
- ◎ Five units/majors maintain active advisory boards:
  - > Accounting and Finance,
  - > Agriculture,
  - > Engineering,
  - > Engineering Technology, and
  - > Supply Chain Management.

## *FY12 – Facilities Enhancement*

- ◎ School of Agriculture Lab (KH 301) was updated through external funding.
- ◎ Six Engineering labs are being completed at the QC Riverfront campus.
- ◎ Updated classroom technology in Stipes and Knoblauch Halls with 18 computers, 13 projectors, and 25 elmos with funds donated by State Farm Insurance.

## *FY12 – Productivity*

- ◎ CBT recruitment efforts are making progress. For Fall 2011, the CBT was +29.03% for *enrolled* Macomb freshmen (compared to fall 2010), +4.95% for Macomb transfers, and -11.1% for QC transfers.

*FY12 – Productivity*

| <b>DEGREES CONFERRED</b>     | <b>2007</b> | <b>2008</b> | <b>2009</b> | <b>2010</b> | <b>2011</b> |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Undergraduate Degrees</b> | 539         | 524         | 578         | 579         | 583         |
| <b>Graduate Degrees</b>      | 106         | 111         | 117         | 132         | 126         |

| <b>ENROLLMENTS</b>   | <b>2007</b> | <b>2008</b> | <b>2009</b> | <b>2010</b> | <b>2011</b> |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Undergraduate</b> | 2293        | 2267        | 2109        | 2001        | 2039        |
| <b>Graduate</b>      | 262         | 257         | 275         | 265         | 263         |

## *Grant Activity*

- ◎ Rafael Obregon continues with collaboration on an STTR grant.
- ◎ Gordon Rands continues with the FIPSE Brazil project with Northern Michigan University and two universities in Brazil.
- ◎ QCML is operating its cooperative agreement with ARDEC.

## *Grant Activity*

- ◎ Doug Druckenmiller has developed a program to sustain the Atlantis dual degree project with partner DePaul University and universities in Sweden and France.
- ◎ Win Phippen continues his AFRI grant and his USAID project in Southern Mexico.



## FY 13 Goals

- ◎ The Goals for FY 13 have been developed with input from the academic units . . .
- ◎ The priorities and budget requests are realistic in terms of need based on flat operating budgets over the past decade . . .
- ◎ The College understands the cash flow and budget crisis, but we have to ask . . .

# *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

**Lab equipment replacement, upgrades, software, and lab renovations:**

## Agriculture:

- ◎ GIS equipment for learning enhancement and faculty research.

# *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

**Lab equipment replacement, upgrades, software, and lab renovations:**

## Computer Science:

- New printers for Computer Science labs in Stipes Hall (Rooms 305, 309, and 312; some existing printers purchased 15 years ago).

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

- ◎ Replace 6 year old computers in Stipes 309 Computer Lab (40 computers).
- ◎ Replace 7 year old computers and remodel Stipes 312 Computer Lab (40 Computers)(old typing room).
- ◎ Replace computers in Stipes 304 Computer Lab (45 Computers).

# *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

**Lab equipment replacement, upgrades, software, and lab renovations:**

## Economics:

- ◎ Replace computers in the Econ tutoring lab.
- ◎ New wiring in Stipes 327 computer lab.

# *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

**Lab equipment replacement, upgrades, software, and lab renovations:**

Engineering Technology:

- ◎ Replace 7 year old Macs in KH B-34.
- ◎ Replace 8 year old PC's in KH 106 (24) and the older than 8 years PC's in KH 105 (24).
- ◎ Update equipment in GCOM labs.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

- ◎ Acquire equipment for new laboratory course in Construction Management.
- ◎ Acquire equipment for new/modified courses in ET's Control Systems. Internet wiring for KH 342.
- ◎ Replace and upgrade surveying equipment.
- ◎ Acquire Mig and Tig welding equipment.

# *FY 13 Goals-Priority 1*

**Lab equipment replacement, upgrades, software, and lab renovations:**

Software and Database Site Licenses:

- ◎ AutoDesk, SAP, MatLab, Solid Works, Mathematica, Oracle, SAS, MiniTab,
- ◎ Compustat.



## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 2*

**Address necessary repairs and upgrades to the Agriculture teaching facilities and research infrastructure:**

- ◎ Construction of a teaching/research greenhouse.
- ◎ Maintenance, repair, and replacement of essential buildings at the Agricultural Field Lab.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 3*

### **Increase student access to and participation in internships:**

- ◎ In collaboration with Career Planning and Placement, employ a Corporate Relations/Internship coordinator who will work with CBT students at both the QC and Macomb campuses.
- ◎ Establish a CBT internship office in a renovated Stipes 111.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 4*

**Develop additional online courses to meet the market demands for online education:**

- ◎ Complete Feasibility Study and make recommendations for an Online MBA.
- ◎ Continue development of additional online courses with a focus on delivering additional minors online.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 5*

**Continue forward progression on new degree programs and certificate offerings:**

- ◎ Begin the process to approve the Master of Science degree in Agriculture Education and add one new faculty position in Agriculture.
- ◎ Develop a new program proposal in Facilities Management.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 6*

### **Enhance the CBT degree offerings in the Quad Cities:**

- ◎ New faculty lines for the QC campus in:
  - > Engineering Technology,
  - > Marketing, and
  - > Supply Chain Management.

# *FY 13 Goals-Priority 7*

## **Continue to support the School of Engineering:**

- ◎ Employ a full-time Administrative Assistant for the School of Engineering (to be shared with the Assistant Dean).
- ◎ Continue establishment and enhancement of laboratories.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 8*

**Address the needs for classroom upgrades and enhancements:**

- ◎ Update Stipes 121 with CODEC and teleconferencing capability.
- ◎ Make Stipes 217 and 313 electronic classrooms.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 9*

**Strengthen areas relative to AACSB standards to continue toward AACSB reaffirmation in Business and Accounting without conditions by the Spring 2015:**

- ◎ Continue to monitor scholarly activity and strengthen credentials of academically qualified faculty.



## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 9*

- Continue implementation of assessment program aligned with AACSB assurances of learning for the undergraduate and graduate programs.
- Update the College Strategic Plan.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 10*

**Continue to integrate undergraduate and graduate recruitment goals for the college and each department/school**

- ◎ Continue working with the Office of Admission to recruit quality students.
- ◎ Acquire three new graduate assistants to support recruitment and retention efforts throughout the College.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 11*

**Strengthen the administration and program support in Management & Marketing:**

- ◎ Appoint an Assistant Chair.
- ◎ Acquire a 75% time support staff position.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 12*

### **Establish ongoing funding for the WIU Center for Economic Education:**

- ◎ Provide \$8,000 in continuing funds for operating the Center.

## *FY 13 Goals-Priority 13-15*

**Continue toward a rigorous set of development goals as a part of University's capital campaign.**

**Continue with plans for a Forage Research Center.**

**Continue to support a robust array of Study abroad opportunities in the College of Business and Technology**

# FY 13 Budget Requests

Lab equipment replacement, upgrades, software, and lab renovations:

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|--|--------------|
| 1. Agriculture                         | \$ 25,000 *  |
| 2. Computer Sciences                   | \$ 182,000 * |
| 3. Economics                           | \$ 27,350 *  |
| 4. Engineering Technology              | \$ 350,000 * |
| 5. Software and database site licenses | \$ 43,250 *  |

\* One time funding request

# FY 13 Budget Requests

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|-----|---|--------------|
| 6.  | Agriculture research greenhouse           | \$ 400,000 * |
| 7.  | Agriculture facility repairs and upgrades | \$ 850,000 * |
| 8.  | CBT Internship office                     | \$ 65,000 *  |
| 9.  | CBT Internship coordinator                | \$ 70,000    |
| 10. | Expand online offerings                   | \$ 40,000    |
| 11. | MS in Ag Ed                               | \$ 70,000    |
| 12. | Engineering Tech Faculty - QC             | \$ 65,000    |
| 13. | Marketing Faculty - QC                    | \$ 90,000    |
| 14. | Supply Chain Mgmt Faculty - QC            | \$ 95,000    |

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# FY 13 Budget Requests

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|---|-------------|
| 15. School of Engineering – Secretary           | \$ 30,000   |
| 16. School of Engineering – CAD 3D Printer      | \$ 45,000 * |
| 17. CODEC for Stipes 121                        | \$ 25,000 * |
| 18. Make Stipes 217 and 313 electronic          | \$ 50,000 * |
| 19. Graduate assistantships (3) for recruitment | \$ 24,000   |
| 20. M&M administration and support              | \$ 36,000   |
| 21. Center for Econ Education                   | \$ 8,000    |
| 22. Forage Research Center                      | \$ 90,000   |
| 23. CBT Global initiatives                      | \$ 35,000   |
| 24. Faculty/staff computers on a 4 year cycle   | \$ 40,000   |

\* One time funding request



# Conclusion

- ◎ We've made great strides, especially given the budgetary constraints, and we look forward to continued progress . . .
- ◎ CBT has GREAT faculty and staff!!!!
- ◎ It's a great day to be a Leatherneck!