

TO: Faculty Senate

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Acting Provost/Senior VPAA

- supporting belonging, wellness, and continued support for DEI and social justice and civic engagement efforts;
- improving and expanding internal and external collaboration and collegueship;
- collaborative academic and enrollment planning, with special focus on supporting graduate and nontraditional student programming and populations; and
- supporting the future financial sustainability and vitality of our University, and effective stewardship of environmental, technical, and other campus resources.

Constituents also emphasized the need to continue seeking practical expressions of our mission, and taking another look at recent assessment data, such as the HEDS Climate Survey, and Noel Levitz Student Satisfaction survey. As the UPC continues to review and reflect on the input obtained so far, there will be more ways for students, faculty, and staff, along with our alumni, to share ideas throughout the fall as the UPC moves forward in its work in developing potential strategic goals and supporting objectives.

Each group has emphasized the need to establish a fresh, clear, shared vision of success for our University. Responding to this feedback, we will augment the planning process to take time to reflect on our shared vision this fall. Watch for invitations to reflect on our [current vision statement](#), and offer your suggestions for a renewed statement. A resource describing vision statements, and their relationship to other guiding statements and planning is available along with other materials on the [Strategic Planning 2025](#) web site.

3. Rankings

The U.S. News & World Report has once again ranked The University of Scranton among the top 10 regional universities in the north, placing Scranton No. 6 in its 2025 edition of the “Best Colleges” guidebook. This marks the 31

that we all collaborate to both be compliant and compassionate to our students who can exclusively use the bookstore.

6. Provost Committee on Academic Policy and Compliance

The PCAPC has created two working groups to look at three compliance-driven topics to ensure that we have policies and procedures in place to address current needs and be prepared to meet the federal and other regulatory requirements. I have reached out to Dr.

Course Deletion

- On October 25th the dedication of W3USR Amateur Ham Radio Station will be held at 3:10 pm in the Loyola Science Center PNC Auditorium followed by an open house of the new radio station, research poster display and reception. At 6:15 pm there will be a Ham Radio Station W3USR Dedication Dinner Buffet held in the Loyola Center Atrium. Tickets are required \$30 to attend. Visit scranton.edu/w3usr-dedication. Call 570-941-7509 or email w3usr@scranton.edu.