



CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

DEC. 22, 2015 EMAIL MESSAGE TO THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Dear Members of the Connecticut College Community,

As we finish the fall semester, we write on behalf of the Strategic Planning Committee to update you on the College's strategic planning process and to let you know about important opportunities to participate in the process during the spring semester.

Throughout the fall, we have been engaging the entire campus in a period of information gathering and data collection in order to hear your thoughts on what ideas and initiatives should be priorities for the College in the next three to five years. Here is a brief summary of our activities, by the numbers:

- Over 2,200 people—faculty, staff, students, alumni, parents, and trustees—participated in our confidential online survey.
- There were over 1,800 individual comments posted during our four idea wall exercises in early November.
- Over 300 faculty, staff, and students participated in individual and small group discussions between September and November.
- Nearly 100 people attended our two open forums in early November.

In addition, members of the SPC are continuing to participate in small group conversations, and our colleagues in the Office of Advancement have been holding discussions with alumni and parents in San Francisco, New York, Boston, and other cities, as well.

Thank you to everyone who contributed their thoughts and suggestions—your input is very important as we work to develop a plan that reflects our shared priorities for the future of the College.

In late January, the SPC will meet with our consultants to learn about the themes and major findings that emerged from these activities. During the first few weeks of the semester, we will

share those themes and findings with the campus community so you can have an opportunity to respond and identify anything important that is missing. The SPC will utilize the planning themes when we meet during spring break to develop draft goals and objectives for the strategic plan. Once we have drafted the goals and objectives, we will share them with the campus community so that you can respond and provide further input and feedback.

Please stay tuned for communications from us during the spring semester and plan to participate in this important phase of the process. For more information and updates, please visit [the strategic planning website](#).

Thank you again for your contributions, and best wishes for a happy holiday season.

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