



Distance Education Advisory Committee

Committee Charter/Purpose:

The Committee serves to advise the Council of Graduate Education and Dean of Graduate Education regarding distance education programs, policies, assessment, and improvement.

Committee Structure/Composition and Term:

The committee consists of:

- Dean of Graduate Education
- One representative from each of the programs offered via distance education at South Dakota Mines
- Office of the Provost representative
- Marketing and Communications representative
- Information Technology Services representative

The committee shall be led by a Chair, who is permanently established as the Dean of Graduate Education. Representatives are appointed by the constituency represented. Membership is not term based.

Committee Meeting Schedule:

The committee shall meet ad hoc as needed.

Committee Membership:

- Maribeth Price (Chair, Dean of Graduate Education)
- Rudra Mitra (Mining and Engineering Management Department Head)
- Adam Piper (Engineering Management Department Head)
- Mark Van Vleck (Construction and Engineering Management Coordinator)
- Michelle Pawelski (Marketing and Communications representative)
- Darcy Briggs (Office of the Provost representative)
- Dane Finnesand (Information Technology Services)

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