# College of Engineering – Engineering College Advisory Council (ECAC)

# **PURPOSE/MISSION**

The purpose of the College of Engineering Advisory Council is to advise the dean and college leadership regarding strategic issues that affect the College of Engineering. Members serve as a sounding board for the dean and college leadership, and provide advice to ensure that college programs maintain the highest standards of excellence. They also assist the college in identifying resources needed to achieve its goals. Finally, they make the activities and accomplishments of the college more widely known among students, alumni, donors, employers, professionals and others.

### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Provide advice to the dean and college leadership with regard to achievement of the strategic plan
- Serve as a source of advice and counsel in the community
- Assess the current contributions of the college in relation to public and professional communities
- Provide meaningful advice and support during times of capital campaigns;
  encourage the financial support of others
- Serve as advocates for college programs and activities
- Assist in the search for key personnel (staff and faculty) as necessary.
- Provide focused advice through service on council committees:
  - The Career Development Committee advises in evaluating relevance of the curricular and extra-curricular opportunities and in considering placement of current students and suggesting opportunities for expansion.
  - The Development Committee advises in reviewing college's development plan (excluding specific donors) and in suggesting foundation opportunities.
  - The Membership/Nomination Committee advises in evaluating the effectiveness/participation of current council members and in suggesting additions when there are openings.

 The Strategy and Planning Committee - advises in reviewing the college's strategic plan and defining gaps and in evaluating performance against tasks and priorities.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The Engineering College Advisory Council (ECAC) is comprised of alumni, academic leaders, and business leaders who provide a high level of volunteer service to the College and University.

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