CPI Executive Committee Meeting with Provost Fierke
October 10, 2018, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Rudder 709

I. Discussion Items: (Moderated by Dr. David Threadgill, CPI Chair)

(a) Given the general plan to expand the master program enrollment (as a potential source to support doctoral students), will there be any additional support for the master program recruitment (e.g., create and post the master program ads; incentive for creating new master programs? face-to-face or online or both formats?)

b) Interdisciplinary research--continuing to break down silos:
   • CIP codes--always cause for concern for specialized graduate disciplines. Also, problematic for interdisciplinary programs because departments encourage faculty to take students through department CIP code. At some institutions such as Minnesota CIP codes are "categorized by career clusters to align academic programs to occupational career pathways." Are there strategies for alleviating CIP code issues?
   • Credit for faculty participation?
   • Opportunities for funding updates to shared instrumentation--below core facility level

c) Continue emphasis on teaching students job success skills to undergraduate and graduate students. How to encourage students to see these are important course "content"?
   • How to get a job
   • How to be successful in graduate school/first job

d) How do you see a RCM-type budget model working for the University?

e) Other business


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