



Planning & Assessment

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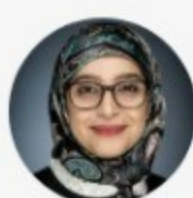
UPAC functions as the central steering committee for university-wide planning, budgeting, and assessment. UPAC makes recommendations to the University Executive Council and President's Council to guide decision-making aligned with the University's mission and goals.

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UPAC: UNIVERSITY PLANNING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

“UPAC is essential to the effective coordination across UUVU's operations, functions, resources, and initiatives. By aligning strategic plans, increasing communication, and maintaining flexibility in the changing landscape of Higher Education, UPAC serves as a valuable partner in supporting UUVU's planning and assessment needs.”

-Dr. Rasha Qudisat
Executive Sponsor, Chair



“UPAC plays a pivotal role in UUVU's integrated institutional effectiveness endeavors by identifying key opportunities and challenges while aligning with broader educational directives. Through comprehensive strategic analysis, UPAC provides advisement on the university's trajectory, ensuring that plans adapt to meet dynamic needs. Our commitment extends to supporting fiscal decisions, aligning strategic initiatives, and championing academic excellence, all aimed at advancing UUVU towards fulfilling its mission.”

-Dr. Laurie Sharp
Co-chair



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- Julia Escobar**
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CURRENT SESSION & CHARGE

Under the direction of the President, the University Planning Advisory Committee (UPAC) serves in an advisory capacity to the President and the President's Cabinet on university-level planning matters.

[2023-2024 UPAC CHARTER AND CHARGE](#)

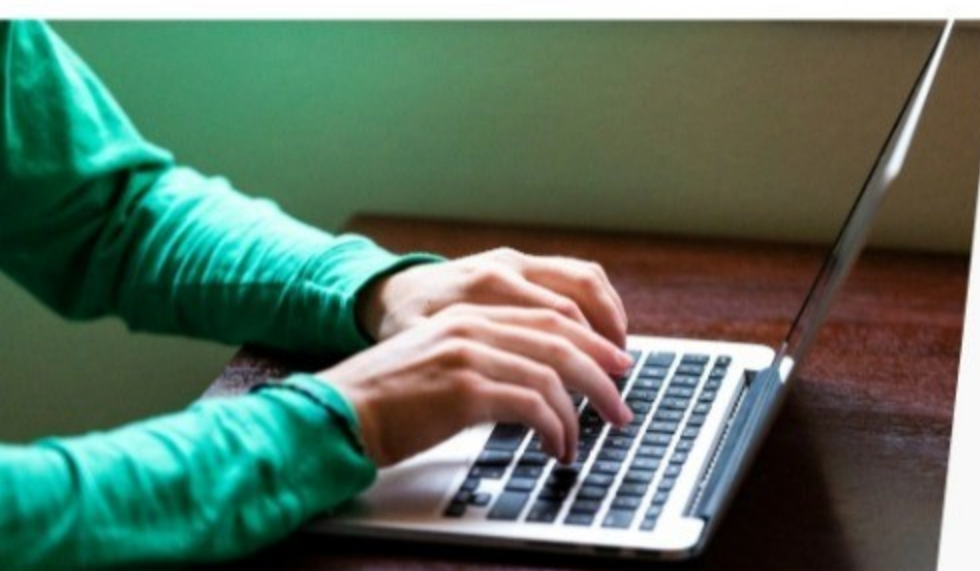
Alignment of UUVU Planning with Higher Education Initiatives

To ensure alignment with UUVU planning efforts and USHE initiatives, UPAC develops strategy maps that visually depict the relationship between UUVU's strategic plan, UUVU's master plans, and the Utah Board of Higher Education Strategic Plan.

[2022-2023 STRATEGY MAPS FOR PLANNING](#)

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Internal and External Assessment Services

At IEE, our goal is to assist departments and faculty in succeeding in their projects. We provide a variety of assessments and evaluation services to both departments and grants.

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