

E. Emerging Issues Summary Issues, Events, Trends

Issues

1. International competition for jobs and education
2. Managing and using technology better
3. Decline of delivery of essential services to stakeholders
4. Devaluing of higher education for the masses
5. Lack of clear message from Stout about Stout's purpose
6. Redefinition of UW System
7. Lack of trust from legislators
8. Our inability to influence/control the actions of the legislature
9. Decline in state budget while maintaining quality
10. Attracting new quality faculty and staff
11. Globalization
12. Rising health care costs

Events

1. Isolated mistakes/bad press/cover-ups
2. Biennial budget
3. Mandatory study of UW System
4. Retirements, resulting in increased workloads
5. Development of faculty/staff minority network
6. Expansion of the internet
7. Committee On Baccalaureate Expansion (COBE)
8. Change in make up of the Board of Regents
9. Change in reciprocity with Minnesota
10. Local acts of violence/threats
11. CIO turnover
12. War on terror
13. Higher Education reauthorization act
14. Global transfer of credits
15. Outcome of Provost/CBO efficiency study
16. First human clone, in South Korea

Trends

1. Impact of global terrorism
2. Trends in energy use, sources, and costs
3. National decline in the number of universities offering distance education
4. Adversarial relationship between the legislature and UW System and campuses
5. Decline in student retention
6. Inadequate K-12 preparation of incoming students
7. Governmental/political influences driving Stout, not academy
8. External challenges to our technology advantage (more than e-scholar)
9. Privatization of public education (increased tuition)
10. Shrinking dependence on United States institutions by foreign countries leads to fewer international students
11. Loss of monopoly on higher education
12. Fewer faculty, more teaching academic staff
13. Changing demographics
14. Declining student interest in math and science in the midst of increased demand
15. Decreasing/lowering of salaries and benefits
16. Decline in the percent of high school students who go on to get a bachelors degree
17. Technogadged students
18. Number of hours students work
19. Growing demand with shrinking resources
20. Demanding students; instant service
21. Increased parental involvement
22. Product lifecycle
23. Attitude of entitlement by students to higher education in an environment of declining respect