STRATEGIC PRIORITY

1.0 Teaching and Learning

SUB-PRIORITY

1.5 Foster and support innovation in program development and excellence in teaching and pedagogy

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RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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DESCRIPTION

Maintaining our relevance and academic vibrancy requires that we continue to innovate in teaching, including new pedagogy, and develop further interdisciplinary programs and e-learning opportunities. The current Academic Innovation Initiative has undertaken this work and we need to continue it, to better share practices across the institution and to determine the next set of new investments in academic programs. We also need to respond to the technological changes that many believe will transform higher education, developing a clearer strategy and approach to e-learning that sifts through the hype and brings together best practices from inside and outside Dalhousie.

A University's success is directly tied to high quality and relevant differentiation in programs and tied to pedagogical excellence.

SPECIFIC GOALS

1. Develop an institutional academic program plan, stemming from Faculties’ approved program plans.
2. Adopt a Dalhousie Learning Charter for students and professors (expectations and evaluation methods) for each Faculty.
3. Provide career-long learning opportunities for pedagogical development through CLT available to all faculty.
4. Develop and adopt teaching and learning initiatives that support student success.