**2020/2021 COMMITTEE REPORT**

**NAME OF COMMITTEE**

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| Admissions & Retention |

**CHAIR OF COMMITTEE**

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| Carlos Rivera |

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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| 1. Chelladurai, Rayola 2. Doyle, Kathleen, 3. Gerrity, Sean 4. Gyan, Joseph K. 5. Hutchins, Christine 6. Mathew, Sherin 7. Niera, Isabel (Student) 8. Rivera, Carlos 9. Rodriguez-Chardavoyne, Esther 10. Rosario-Quiroz, Yvonne 11. Wander, Fabian |

**DATES COMMITTEE MET**

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| For the fall 2020 semester, the committee met on **Wednesday, November 11, 2020,** at 2:00 p.m. and **Wednesday, December 9,** at 2:00 p.m.  For the spring 2021 semester, the committee met on **Friday, March 12** at 2:00 p.m. and **Monday, April 12** at 2:00 p.m. |

**ACTIONS TAKEN (PLEASE BE SPECIFIC)**

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| **Fall 2020 semester:** The committee discussed and shared information on standardized testing (SAT, ACT)and proficiency index scores with faculty and administrative staff. Due to the testing disruptions caused by the pandemic, the University decided to temporarily discontinue the use of SAT or ACT scores for admissions or proficiency determinations for the Spring 2021, Fall 2021, or Spring 2022 admissions cycles.  The committee reviewed and updated the existing prospective student communication plan and queued the communication to over 1300 prospective students for potential spring 2021 and fall 2021 enrollment.  **Spring 2021 semester:** The committee instituted a plan to highlight the variety of academic and non-academic support programs at Hostos, such as ASAP, SSCU, CD, HALC, etc. The project targets our high school counselor and community organization contacts.  We drafted a series of counselor communications that highlight Hostos, our student support services, academic support, academic advisement, career services, and general admissions process. The communication plan includes a letter from a Hostos alumna who recently completed their bachelor’s degree and wrote a book about their college-going experience.   The outreach plan, complete with Hostos approved branding, has reached nearly 3,000 of our high school counselors and community organization contacts. The purpose of these communications is to increase our applicant pool and amplifying the Hostos mission to our local constituents. |

**HAVE STUDENTS BEEN REGULAR, PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF YOUR COMMITTEE?**

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| This past academic year, our committee had a student member who participated in our first fall 2020 meeting. Unfortunately, our student committee member could not join us for the remaining three meetings this past academic year. We look forward to having an actively engaged student member in our committee for the coming academic year. |

*Attach any additional information or concerns you may have to this form and send it by* ***May 17, 2021,*** *to:*

**Professor Tram Nguyen, Chair of Committee on Committees, as well as Professor Ernest Ialongo, Chair of Hostos College Senate.**

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