

IT Strategic Planning Committee Questions:

- What should UCLA establish as its highest priorities for strengthening and/or positioning IT over the next five years? What exigencies must be addressed?
- What is needed to sustain and enhance UCLA's academic excellence and administrative efficiency?
- Is the governance structure now in place appropriate for the future decisions and needs that face UCLA? If not, what changes are needed? To what extent do the three major IT governance bodies (Strategic IT planning by the ITPB; Campus application priorities through CITI; and Infrastructure deployment through OIT, Administration, and Finance and Budget) effectively serve the campus. How might coordination and efficiency increase?
- How can we derive more value and efficiency from UCLA's IT infrastructure, including data centers, networking, communications, security services, disaster recovery, identity management, server architecture, and systems and applications administration? To what extent, and in what areas, is consolidation needed? To what extent, and in what areas, is decentralization needed? How can these be achieved?
- How should we balance the needs of individual divisions and departments for applications that serve their needs (e.g., grants management, post doctoral assignments, admissions) against the benefits of integrated systems that are developed as institutional resources?
- What are the strengths and weaknesses of the campus IT organizational, fiscal and operating structures that are currently in place? Will they support the priorities and directions recommended as well as the tactical work and execution of the plans? How can we refine these structures to preserve the strengths and mitigate their weaknesses so that IT plans go forward in the best possible manner?
- How can UCLA develop improved project management, so that systems development proceeds on time and on budget and with consultation and communications as needed?