

Associate Provost

The associate provost chairs the Committee for the Review of Space Planning (CRSP), which oversees space assignments and renovations, working closely with the Department of Facilities. The associate provost also sits on the Building Committee. The associate provost represents the Office of the Provost in a variety of initiatives, including serving as a co-coordinator for the Institute-wide Planning Task Force, sitting on the Cooperative Program Steering Committee for the Masdar Institute, and serving as co-chair of the newly formed Information Technology Governance Committee.

CRSP managed the expenditure of a \$19.4 million budget for renovations in FY2010. Major projects in this fiscal year included the completion of the Laboratory for Advanced Materials in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering, a laboratory in support of the Novartis Center for Continuous Manufacturing, and major renovations of laboratory space in Building 35.

Working in cooperation with the Department of Facilities, we continued the development of Vision 2030, a long-range planning exercise for the campus. This planning framework helps to define priorities for renovation and renewal. Draft versions of the plan were created, and in the coming months various constituents will be briefed on the plan.

Planning work of the past few years on high performance computing has culminated in the creation of the Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center (MGHPCC). This center brings together five Massachusetts universities (MIT, the University of Massachusetts, Boston University, Harvard University, and Northeastern University) with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to create a center in Holyoke in support of the university's high performance computing needs. The MGHPCC entity has been created, and over the next year it is expected that construction activities for this center will be initiated.

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