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**Subject:** Welcome back GCC Faculty

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Hafa Adai and welcome back GCC Faculty!

With the holiday break now behind us, I hope that you are all refreshed and invigorated to start the Spring 2014 semester. Preliminary student numbers point to another increase in our enrollment so we have a lot of work ahead of us, as we try our best to meet our students' educational goals and aspirations.

Here are a few items to start off the semester:

The updated mission statement (Policy 100) was passed by the Board in its meeting last Friday, January 10. A new poster will be developed by AIER so that everyone on campus will get the assistance they need to commit this new mission statement to memory.

Also, the proposed Institutional Strategic Master Plan (ISMP), 2014-2020 passed its first reading by the Board in last Friday's meeting, as well. It is hoped that the final version will be approved and adopted by the Board's meeting in February. Soon thereafter, a final ISMP version will be circulated on campus for the information of all stakeholders.

Similarly, a new Board resolution on Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) was introduced at the same meeting. It also passed first reading by the Board.

I also welcome our two new Associate Deans under TPS beginning this Spring term: Dr. Elizabeth Diego and R. Gary Hartz. Please give them your congratulations as they begin to transition into their new leadership role at the college.

I am certain that this will be another great semester for all of us! Again, welcome back.

Dr. R. Ray D. Somera  
GCC Vice President for Academic Affairs

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