

Academic Technology Advisory Group

In early 2014 the Academic Technology Advisory Group was formed due to a need to retrofit two classrooms with new technology. Since that time, the group undertook numerous projects and has since been formed into an official committee under provisions from faculty senate. The chart below outlines some of the projects that were facilitated by myself and the group during my time as chair (2014 to 2017).

Project	Methods	Result
Retrofit Two Classrooms	Faculty focus groups Visiting neighboring institutions with active learning classrooms	Two classrooms were equipped with active learning furniture, interactive white boards, and screen sharing and collaboration software.
Video Streaming System	Vendor Demos Phone calls with other institutions who use video streaming systems Software Trials	Kaltura was eventually chosen to be the official video storage and streaming platform for PA College.
Classroom Technology Recommendation for New Campus	Software Research Phone calls with other institutions who use classroom collaboration systems Software Demos and Trials	The group recommended to administration that media:scape and Mersive Solstice software be purchased and installed in classrooms in the new buildings. The administration took the report under consideration when making technology decisions.
Poll Everywhere	Interviews with faculty currently using individual Poll Everywhere accounts	The institution purchased a site wide license for Poll Everywhere. It is being used widely across campus, among all academic departments.
CampusPress	Vendor Demos	CampusPress was purchased as an avenue for faculty to create websites to disseminate information related to their employment at the College.
BYOD Policy	Research Interviews with other institutions who have implemented BYOD policies	The findings and recommendations from the group were taken into consideration when creating the College's BYOD (Bring your own device) policy.