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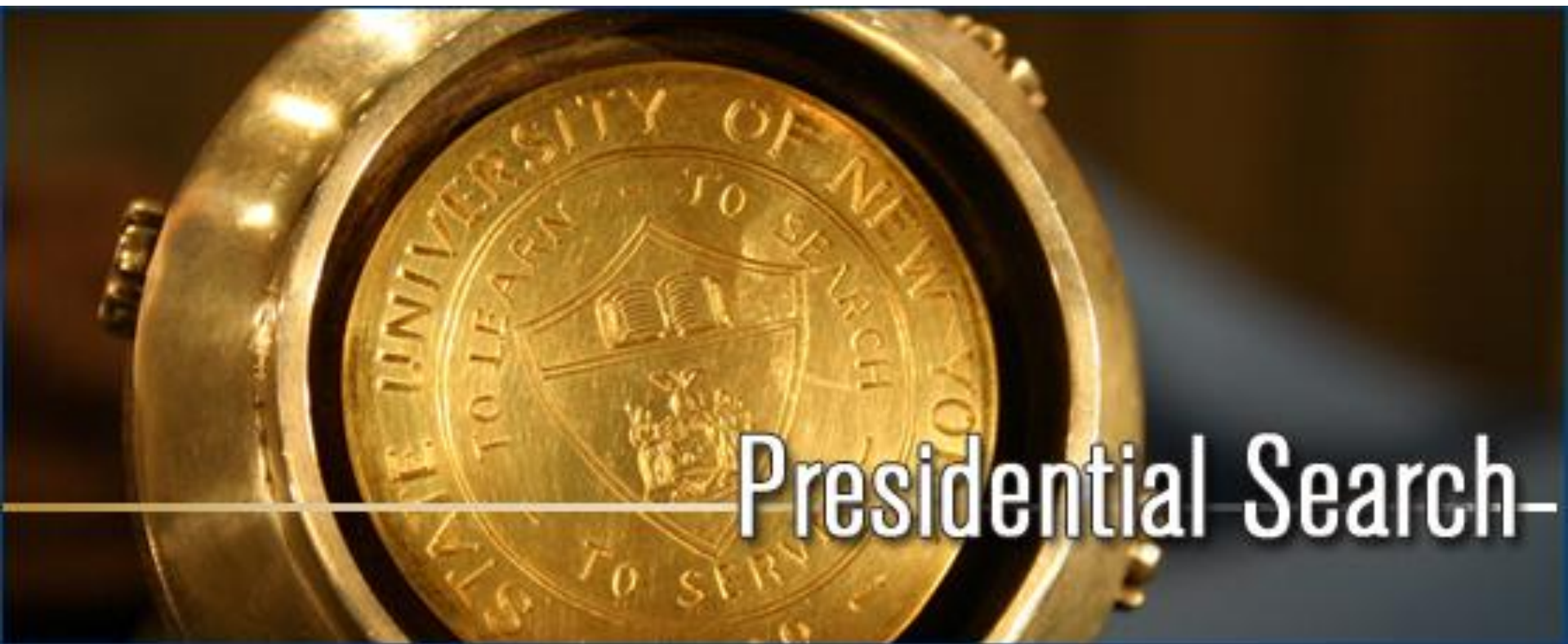


Donald P. Christian
President
9/16/2011

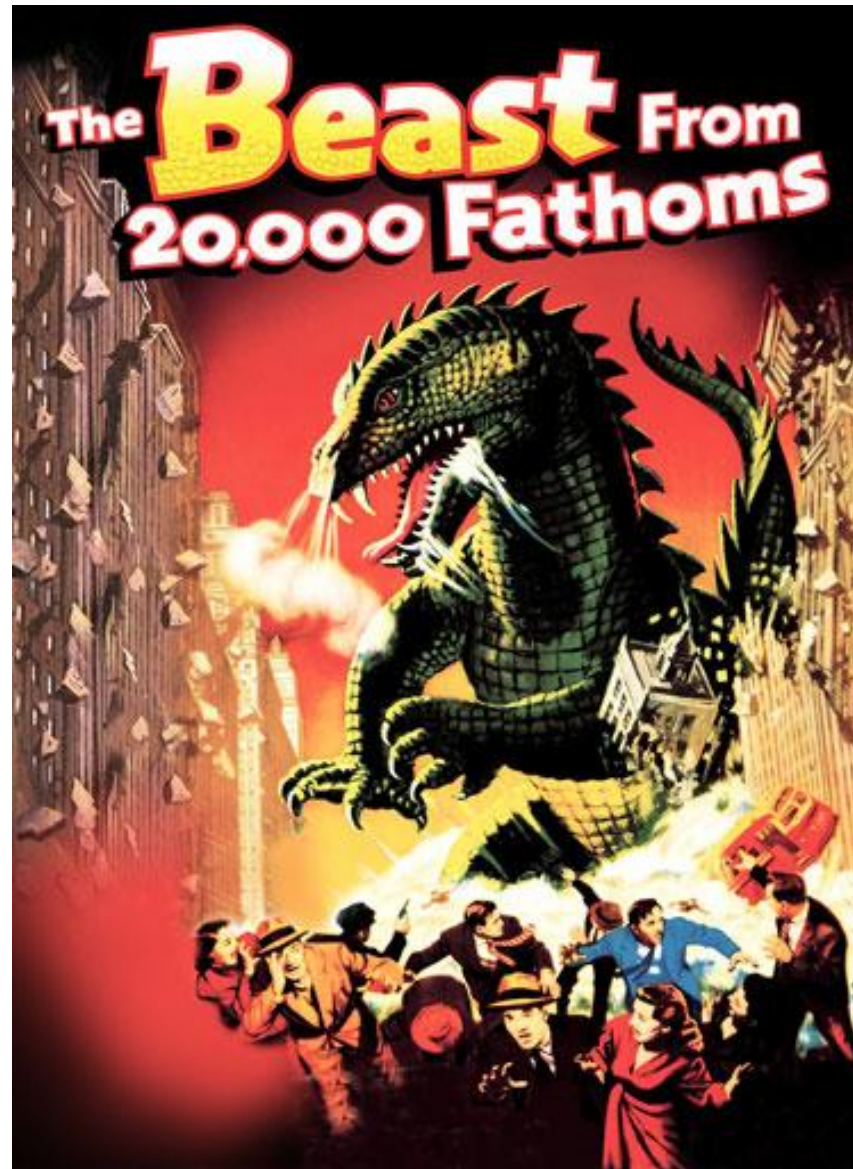








Presidential Search





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FAMILIAR FACE

Christian named finalist in presidential search

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“Listening and Learning Phase” for a new president

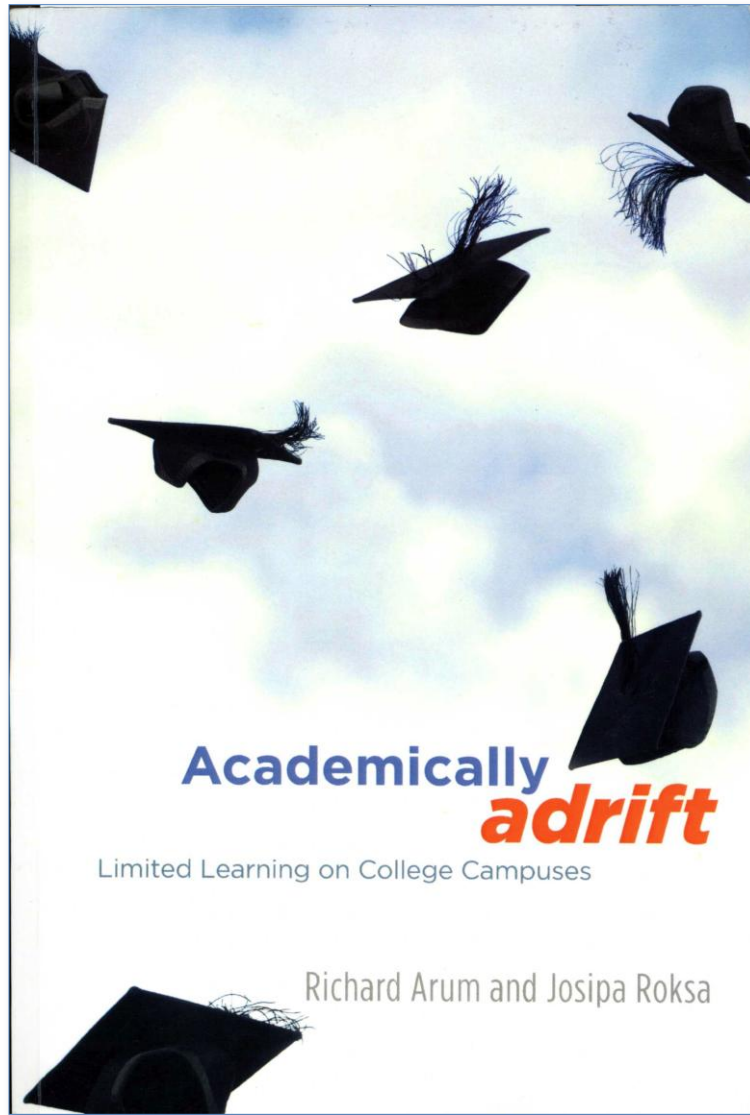
Values

Points of pride

Aspirations

Improvements





Academically
adrift

Limited Learning on College Campuses

Richard Arum and Josipa Roksa



Meeting Student Needs

Student union
YOUR PLACE

Recognizing and celebrating our strengths

- ◆ **A personalized, residential college experience**

Our residential character will reinforce our educational goals

- ◆ **A high standard of rigor and academic expectation**

Hiring and retaining faculty who are committed to both their scholarship and teaching

Continue raising the academic quality and selectivity of our students

Teaching a curriculum that prepares students for their lives and careers

- ◆ **Intellectually capable and committed students**

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Recognizing and celebrating our strengths

- ◆ **Sustaining an open and diverse college community**

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Meeting student needs

- ◆ **A spirit of exploration, discovery, and artistry**

Teaching a curriculum that prepares students for their lives and careers

Linking student intellectual growth with faculty scholarship

Recognizing and celebrating our strengths

- ◆ **Educating each student as a whole person**

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Meeting student needs

- ◆ **Intellectual and cultural hub**

Addressing regional economic and schooling needs

Being a cultural and intellectual hub for the mid-Hudson region





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NATIONAL SURVEY OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

make your voice count





New Paltz Rises in Ranks

Last Year

Kiplinger's Guide – "Best Buys"

36th (from 53rd in 2009 and 78th in 2008)

US News and World Report

7th among public regional universities (up from 8th)

33rd among public + private universities (up from 43rd)

Upward Trend

U.S. News & World Report

ranks New Paltz 6th among best public regional universities in the North

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of State Colleges
and Universities

New Presidents' Academy

July 25 – 29, 2011
Lake Geneva, Wisconsin





Academic Agenda

- ◆ Recruitment of new faculty
- ◆ Faculty publication, exhibition, presentation, funding success
- ◆ Undergraduate research, faculty-student collaboration
- ◆ Curricular innovation
 - Honors program
 - Liberal education initiative
 - Art and Technology
 - China and Chinese living-learning community

Regional Presence



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Budget reduction: achieved \$5 million of \$6.3 million plan
intend to complete plan

Rational tuition: \$300 this year, up to \$300 annually
\$1.8 million revenue + financial aid

Searches for permanent positions:
15 searches authorized (2012 start dates)
more pending

Planning for investment of further revenue:
tenure track faculty, other needs
one-year lecturers

Economic Recovery is Uncertain

Focus on core mission and highest priorities

Achieve goals in new ways

Become more student-centered, other adaptations

Shared services – seeking efficiencies



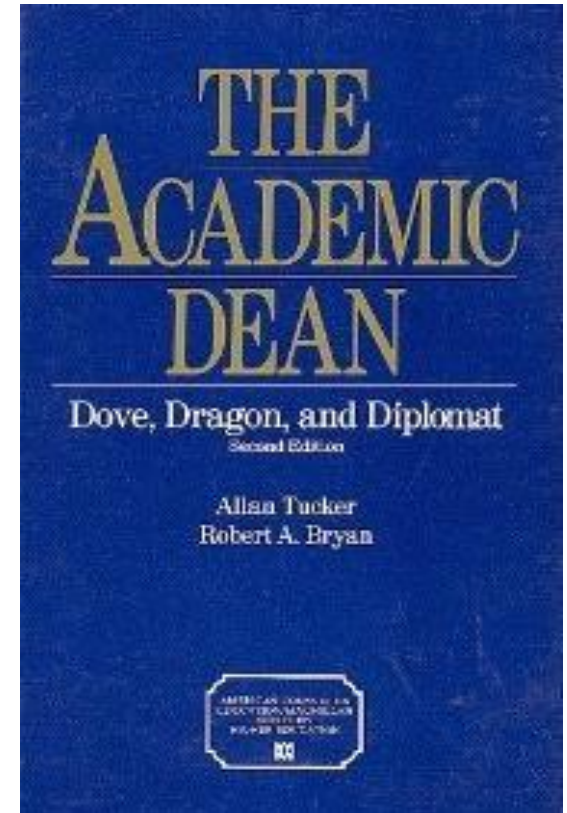


National Searches for Academic Administrative Positions

Provost and Vice President for
Academic Affairs

Dean of Science and Engineering

Dean of Education



Key Academic Administrative Initiatives for 2011-12

Faculty Workload Models

Standards and expectations

Reappointment

Promotion and Tenure

Promotion to Professor

Curricular-Academic Initiatives

Honors

Liberal Education → General Education Revision

Art and Technology

4-credit, rather than 3-credit, standard course module

Graduate Offerings and Enrollment

Six Big Ideas: SUNY and ...



- the **Entrepreneurial Century**
- a **Healthier New York**
- an **Energy-Smart New York**
- the **Seamless Education Pipeline**
- the **World**
- the **Vibrant Community**

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Strategic planning



External Fund-Raising and Development

Source of new revenue under our control

Needs and Issues:

Foundation Board Size and Capacity

Investment in Development Office

Build New Relationships, Expand Donor Base
(alumni)

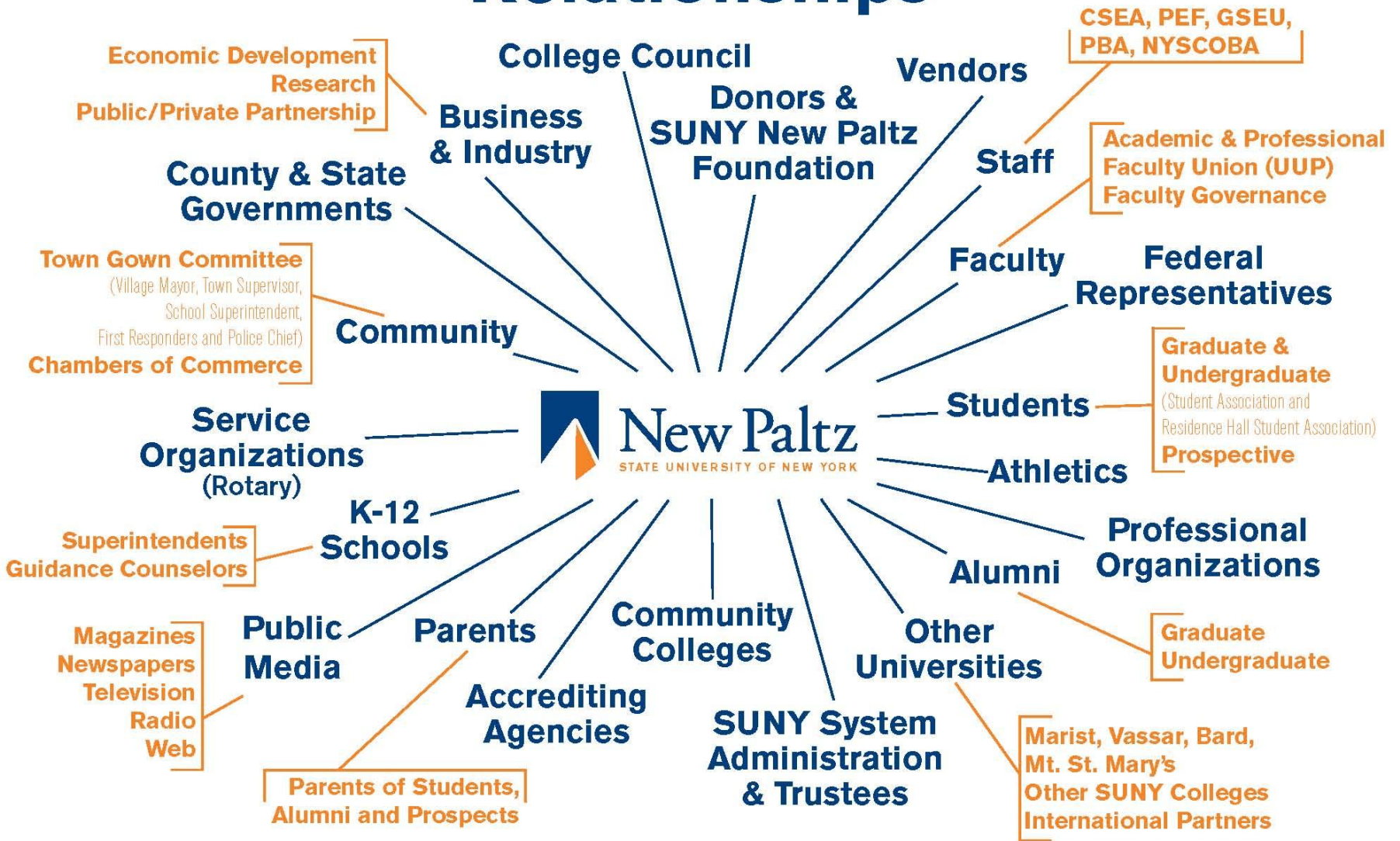
Refine Message about Priorities, Philanthropy

“Making the Case”

- Institutional vision and trajectory
- Demonstrated high quality, educational distinction
- Diversity, student success
- Alignment of core values with SUNY system priorities



Relationships





Thank you.

Questions?