

This message is sent on behalf of Provost Donald DeHayes and Vice President Christina Valentino.

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Information Technology Assessment Report

As you are now aware, the University engaged a Management and Information Technology (IT) consulting company, BerryDunn, to conduct an assessment of our IT environment and help URI develop a university-wide IT Strategic Plan. The first phase of this effort is complete with the publication of the [IT Assessment Report](http://web.uri.edu/itreview/files/BerryDunn-IT-Assessment-Final-Report.pdf) (<http://web.uri.edu/itreview/files/BerryDunn-IT-Assessment-Final-Report.pdf>).

In our view, the assessment conducted by BerryDunn accurately and clearly captures the IT opportunities and challenges at URI and is an excellent document to provide context and serve as the foundation for the development of the URI IT Strategic Plan. This represents an important step towards our goal of building a shared IT service organization that serves as a strategic partner to the University.

In the coming weeks, the IT Strategic Governance Committee and representatives from BerryDunn will be conducting open sessions to take questions and provide clarification as needed. Watch for email notifications for these sessions.

During the next two months, BerryDunn will use the knowledge gained conducting the Assessment to work with the University community to create a five year Strategic Plan for IT at URI. This Plan will be completed in late spring.

We would like to thank all members of the University community for the active and thoughtful engagement during this process. Your time and effort has contributed towards a valuable, balanced tool towards improving IT services at URI as we interface with a rapidly evolving digital world.

We will continue to provide information and updates on the progress and encourage campus-wide participation, communication, and engagement.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Mike Motta at mmotta@uri.edu.

Thank you.