

**University of California  
Information Technology Leadership Council**

**Charter**

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The University of California Information Technology Leadership Council (ITLC) is the system-wide IT governing body that works in partnership with UC leadership to articulate goals, strategies, priorities and resource allocations for investment in, and deployment of, technology-based solutions that support the University's missions of teaching, research, public service, and patient care. While respecting the essential independence of UC institutions, the ITLC strives to address common IT challenges and to advance the collective IT priorities of its constituent organizations and the system as a whole.

**Mission:** The mission of the Information Technology Leadership Council is to support and advance the academic goals of our institutions collectively, by ensuring that our faculty, students, and staff, and the university community at large have access to the most effective information and information technology-based tools and services available as they strive to innovate in research, scholarship, and teaching and learning.

**The primary goals of the ITLC are to:**

- **Provide IT Leadership**  
In partnership with academic and administrative leaders across the University of California, the ITLC articulates directions and strategies that advance opportunities enabled by information technologies, provides effective leadership regarding the emerging roles and benefits of IT, and helps catalyze innovative uses of information technology within the academy and the broader community.
- **Promote Inter-Campus IT Collaboration**  
The ITLC fosters collaboration in the development and the creation of common services within and outside the IT community at the campuses, national laboratories, and Office of the President in order to increase the effectiveness of local initiatives through the sharing of locally-built or acquired solutions, technology approaches, effective practices, and lessons learned.
- **Oversee UC-wide IT Investments**  
The ITLC provides direct oversight of resources, regardless of funding source, for significant system-wide technology investments to ensure strong alignment with the University's strategic objectives in partnership with system-wide academic, research, administrative and healthcare leadership councils.
- **Lead UC-wide IT Strategic Planning and IT Innovation**  
In partnership with system-wide leadership councils, the ITLC is responsible for ongoing strategic planning activities that outline critical priorities and strategies for deployment of

information technologies in support of UC's mission, as well as advocating for the critical role that IT plays in innovation and institutional competitiveness.

- **Establish Formal Partnerships with UC leadership groups**  
Recognizing the critical role technology investment plays in each of the institutions core functions, ITLC members serve as liaisons to each of the system-wide leadership bodies, including the academic Senate, academic affairs, student affairs, research, undergraduate instruction, administration, library, medical and field station councils.
- **Guide Development of IT Applications and Services**  
The ITLC identifies best-in-class applications, services and architectures and promotes their adoption where applicable throughout the system, working closely with campus and system leadership to ensure strong alignment with business and academic goals and priorities.
- **Promote IT Policy Strategy and Development**  
The ITLC works closely with the Office of General Council, Council of Vice Chancellors of Student Affairs, Business Affairs, Planning and Budget, Medical Centers, and Academic Senate in guiding the development and communication of effective system-wide IT-related policies.
- **Ensure Requisite IT Infrastructure**  
The ITLC ensures that the technology infrastructure of the University of California will be maintained and refreshed to address and support the evolving needs of its key constituencies and stakeholders.
- **Exploit Economies of Scale**  
The ITLC identifies and acts on opportunities to reduce IT costs through collaborative technology acquisition, licensing and contract sharing, and vendor management strategies.
- **Develop and Promote Funding Strategies**  
The ITLC develops funding strategies and models to ensure appropriate levels of investment in IT resources and staffing in support of system wide needs.
- **Facilitate Information Flow and Responsiveness**  
The ITLC serves as a broad pool of talent and expertise about IT issues in response to requests for information and timely action from campus and system-wide leaders.
- **Represent UC in External Forums**  
The ITLC represents and fosters the interests of the University of California in state, national, and international IT forums, articulating the value of collaborative approaches to serving our diverse communities, and playing a leadership role in the implementation of innovative technologies, tools, and programs in support of the academic community and society as a whole.

Amendments to this Charter

This charter may be amended by the membership by a 2/3 vote of all ITLC member institutions.