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Deans Council – December 7, 2012
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WHAT DOES BROCKPORT 2025 LOOK LIKE?
- More flexible to make changes. Technology changes will force us to be flexible.
- How do we foster intellectual curiosity?
- Grounded philosophically/pedagogically, flexible in teaching modality.
- Need for face-to-face learning will not go away.
- Feeling connected is essential.
- Community needs to be built.
- Definition of community needs to be clarified.
- How do we convince students that Brockport is the best community, “home base”?
- Brockport needs to be a place where community and learning can happen. WE are a place that supports curiosity.
- Credit for MOOCs is an issue because as we consider these for credit others will give credit for these.
- We need to be careful about “offering students what they want”.
- Students in 2025 will need to be students of the world, speaking multiple languages.
- The Brockport experience needs to be defined.

OUR AUDIENCE
- Graduate students will be global population, students of the world.
- Undergraduates will also have broad experiences.
- Is the pool in the world large enough to offset the number of providers?
- Racial/SES diversity.
- Can lower SES students afford our education?
- Decrease in state funding...will there be funding?
- Why would they come here as opposed to a less expensive community college?
- For the next 13 years we will continue to draw regionally. Should we reach out to high schools?
- Experiential ed with El. Ed and MS students.
- Career change is rampant, so we will always have students who could avail themselves of our educational experiences.
- This predicates on a faculty that’s fluid and fluent...there must be an investment in the faculty to be prepared to address and generate change.
  ➤This is the point of the discussion.
- Are certificate programs where we need to be looking?
COMPETITION

- Online?
- Faculty generate change.
- How can we be flexible?
- Partnerships with other organizations in other states.