

**To:** College of Charleston Faculty Senate  
**From:** Faculty Educational Technology Committee  
**Re:** Recommendation for a pilot experiment to test online course evaluations  
**Date:** 09 April 2007

### **Recommendation**

The FETC recommends that the Senate support the implementation of a pilot experiment to test online course evaluations at the College of Charleston.

### **Rationale**

We value the intent and purpose of the College's course evaluation system.

The current paper-and-pencil delivery mechanism has weaknesses that can potentially be addressed by an online delivery system. This system may be piloted on a small scale to assess the feasibility of this system.

Outside vendors are available to assist in the implementation of a pilot study for an online evaluation system.

Overall, an online evaluation system has the potential to provide additional formative and summative data that are unavailable in a paper-based system. These data will significantly benefit faculty, students and the institution.

### **Cost of the pilot:**

\$0.00 / \$3,000

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