The Provost’s Fall Forum on October 1, 2021, will focus on the first phase of the Colorado State University Academic Master Plan, a key building block of the University’s strategic plan, *Courageous Strategic Transformation*. Phase One of the Academic Master Plan will address Academic Direction for the next decade or so. Phase Two, covering Demographics and Pedagogy, will follow during the Spring semester.

During the Forum, participants will discuss how to apply academic master planning to their fields or disciplines (whether involved in academic programs, research/scholarship, or community engagement activities). The primary participants are department chairs/heads and school, center and institute directors along with college leadership and members of the Academic Master Plan Advisory Committee. Following the Forum participants will use a template to submit a report on their ideas for the future of their programs, research/scholarship, or community engagement activities.

**Forum Discussion Topics**

- Trends in forces that influence their fields or disciplines now and in the future;
- Implications for what graduates of their academic programs will do or what supporters or constituents of their research or engagement may need in the future; and
- Aspirations regarding how they might want to direct or reshape their programs, research, or engagement services in the future.

**Preparation and Schedule**

- **September**
  - Dr. Linda Dalton, the University’s Academic Master Plan consultant, meets with the leadership of each college to provide a short briefing on the AMP process and Phase One.
  - Department chairs/heads and school, center, and institute directors prepare for the Provost’s Fall Forum by locating and reviewing resource materials that can be mined for relevant information. Resources are listed below and also linked from the Academic Master Plan website: [https://courageous.colostate.edu/academic-master-plan/](https://courageous.colostate.edu/academic-master-plan/)
  - Department chairs/heads and school, center, and institute directors brief their faculty and colleagues about the process in advance of the Provost’s Fall Forum.
- **October** – Department chairs/heads and school, center, and institute directors schedule a follow up meeting with their units to discuss what they want to emphasize as they complete the template.
- **November 5** – Department chairs/heads and school, center, and institute directors submit their completed templates to their college office.
- **November 19** – The deans then have two weeks to review the material from their units and add a college perspective before submitting all of the reports to the Office of the Provost.
- **December** – The AMP Planning Team and Advisory Committee review and synthesize the reports from the colleges into a draft report on Academic Direction for CSU.