Future Agenda

The future agenda results from the analysis of the challenges and recommendations made by the Work Groups. The Steering Committee took into consideration their input and after a close examination, these are the areas to be considered in Caribbean University's future agenda:

Expand educational opportunities to a broader global student population. This only could be accomplished by continuing the relationships and agreements with oversea institutions of higher education and by the enhancement of our physical, electrical, and technological infrastructure to provide online academic programs. Currently, Caribbean University only provides online courses and needs authorization of the corresponding accrediting agencies in order to attain this goal. Also, the implementation of all on-line support services needs to take place. The creation of new programs that represent the needs and demands of local and global communities, not only at the undergraduate level, but also at the graduate level, including doctoral degrees, is necessary.

Caribbean University has to continue the establishment of a systematic process of quality assurance. The Institution has purchased an electronic system (Blackboard Outcomes System) in order to develop and document all assessment initiatives. The priorities in this area include the training of faculty, administrators and all staff involved in the assessment process. We aspire to reaffirm the quality of our academic programs and student learning through the attainment of professional accreditations.

Caribbean University strives to diversify its income sources. Although the Institution has been able to stabilize its finances (Appendix TT), its income continues to be dependent mainly on tuition and fees. Some of this income sources activities will be directed to the identification of the following: the foundation and support of an Alumni Association; the identification of committed donors for our endowment fund; and submit applications for other federal grants, among others. It is also important to maintain current auxiliary enterprises and establish agreements with others at all academic units.