SENATE UNIVERSITY ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Purpose: The Senate University Assessment Committee provides faculty guidance and oversight in developing and implementing the University Assessment Plan, analyzing and interpreting assessment results, developing appropriate reports, and disseminating assessment results to the Office of Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the University Senate and the University community.

Membership:

- Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost or designee (two, one voting and one non-voting)
- Vice President for Student Affairs or designee
- Essential Studies Director
- School of Graduate Studies Representative
- Faculty (eight, one from each college)
- Students (two)

Terms:

- Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost or designee - concurrent with office
- Vice President for Student Affairs or designee - concurrent with office
- Essential Studies Director - concurrent
- School of Graduate Studies Representative - one year
- Faculty - three years with approximately one-third elected each year
- Students - one year

Selection:

- Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost or designee - ex-officio
- Vice President for Student Affairs or designee - ex-officio
- Essential Studies Director - ex-officio
- School of Graduate Studies Representative appointed by Graduate Committee in consultation with Graduate Dean
- Faculty - About one-third are elected every year by the Senate in April and assuming responsibilities May 1.
- Students - approximately one-third elected by the Student Senate in April and assuming responsibilities May 1

Functions and Responsibilities:

Acting of its own volition, upon the request of the Senate and/or others, the Committee shall assume the following responsibilities:

1. Address all issues regarding assessment of student achievement and development.
2. Develop, review and evaluate the University Assessment Plan in conjunction with the Assessment Director.
3. Oversee the implementation of the University Assessment Plan, evaluate assessment activities and the interpretation of assessment results, and evaluate the overall effectiveness of the Plan.
4. Make recommendations regarding how to address any deficiencies that are revealed by assessment activities.
5. Review University Accreditation Report when issued and
advise the Senate regarding the Report and its implications.

6. Work with Institutional Research to keep the assessment website current.

Report to Senate: Prepare an annual report which addresses each function and responsibility and submit it to the Senate secretary two weeks before the October Senate meeting.

Source of Information:

University Senate Minutes – May 6, 1999
University Senate Minutes – February 7, 2002
University Senate Minutes – May 4, 2006
University Senate Minutes – February 7, 2013
University Senate Minutes – November 7, 2013
University Senate Minutes – November 3, 201