

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 of Academic Affairs and Provost, the Faculty 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 Finance and Operations or designee
Vice President for Student and Outreach Services or designee
Graduate School 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 Finance and Operations or designee - concurrent with office
Vice President for Student and Outreach Services or designee - concurrent with office
Graduate School 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 Finance and Operations or designee - ex-officio
Vice President for Student and Outreach Services or designee - ex-officio
Graduate School 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: Perform a thorough review of Committee policies in even-numbered years as preparation for any issues arising in the State legislative session in odd-numbered years. This review is to be submitted to the Senate Executive Committee and the Senate Legislative Affairs Committee.

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 Assistant Provost for Assessment.
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 the 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

Revised: University Assessment Committee and Approved by the University Senate
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