

# **UPRC-Initiated Academic Program Review Guidance**

**CSU Bakersfield Policy** 

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## **General Description**

### **Purpose:**

Senate Resolution 212230 states the following:

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#### Scope:

All Academic Departments

## **Policy/Procedure**

#### **Policy Statement Text:**

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- At the beginning of each term, the Provost will request a list of Departments/Programs that have not complied with Senate policy from the Office of Academic Programs.
- The Provost will call a meeting between the respective Program Director, Department Chair, School Dean, UPRC Chair, AVP for Academic Affairs, and Dean for Academic Programs.
- During the meeting, the Provost will lead a conversation regarding the challenges encountered to complete the Self-Study, including resources, and assistance needed.
- Next, the Provost will have an executive conversation with the UPRC Chair, and the UPRC will recommend one of the below options within two weeks of the meeting:
- 1) Department may be granted a time-bound extension, with the expectation of a written deliverable. If sufficient progress is not made during the time-bound extension (determined by the Provost), a UPRC-initiated review will automatically be the next step.
- 2) Department may undergo a UPRC-initiated review. If a UPRC-initiated review is recommended and approved by the Provost, the committee will base its review on the following elements to mirror the standard program review process:
- o Program curriculum as described in the course catalog;
- o Evidence of assessment activities as reported in TaskStream;
- o Program annual reports as reported in TaskStream;
- o Program data as provided by the Office of Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment;
- o Other information available (for example, the program website, employer satisfaction and alumni survey);
- o Report provided by External Reviewer (or accreditation agency as appropriate);
- o Report provided by the School Dean.
- At the completion of the UPRC-initiated review, the process will proceed as usual which culminates with a Memorandum of Understanding and Action Plan (MOUAP).

#### **Consultations:**

Dean's Council, Senate Executive Committee, DCLC, UPRC, Provost's Council