AY12 UAA Report on Program Review

In 2009 the deans and directors redesigned the program review process, in compliance with University Regulation 10.06.01.B. and in collaboration with the Office of Academic Affairs. The new process aligns with NWCCU institutional accreditation standards, which emphasize planning, assessing effectiveness, and making improvements to the institution and its programs and services. This process revision has been discussed at several Regents meetings.

The UAA process has three levels of review.*

- 1. Program faculty completes the initial evaluation. Based on this, the unit's dean or campus director recommends further actions to the deans/campus directors, who collectively determine which programs, if any, require extended reviews.
- 2. The dean or director designs extended reviews to address specific issues requiring additional analysis.
- 3. A conference between the dean or director, program chair, Vice Provost, and Provost is held at the conclusion of the extended review to determine an action plan based on the review.

Since 2009, 144 reviews have been conducted at UAA. Departments are encouraged to review similar programs (e.g. BS and BA in Psychology) together where feasible, so the number of academic programs is not an exact match with the number of Program Reviews.

Twelve program reviews were extended to the second level with the following results:

Extended Program Reviews	Decision
Anchorage Campus	
Alaska Native Studies (Minor)	Augmentation of departmental resources through Planning and Budget Advisory Committee (PBAC) reallocation. Future considerations include revised curriculum and delivery options.
Liberal Studies (Bachelor of Liberal Studies)	No significant changes. The program also serves other units (e.g. KPC, COE) as well as course delivery needs for rural students.
Women's Studies (Minor)	No changes.
Business Computer Information Systems (AAS)	Possible phasing out. Scheduled for early review AY12, continued into AY13.
Global Supply Chain Management (MS)	Shifted from annual admission to a cohort system with new admission every four years. Scheduled for early review AY12, continued into AY13.
Supply Chain Management Graduate Certificate	Suspended
Management Information Systems (BBA)	Continued. Program provides support to other programs. Scheduled for early review AY12, continued into AY13.
Computer and Networking Technology (AAS, Undergraduate Certificate)	Program revision: new AAS name, deletion of one track and one embedded certificate.
English as a Second Language	Prioritized offerings and resources.
Professional Piloting (AAS)	Improved articulation with the BS, enhanced advising, and modified enrollment policies.
Welding and Nondestructive Testing Technology Undergraduate Certificate; Industrial Welding Technology Undergraduate Certificate Kodiak College	Suspended. Plan to replace with three Occupational Endorsement Certificates.
Computer Systems Technology (AAS)	Directed to modify delivery and expand collaboration with other campuses.
Matanuska-Susitna College	
Telecommunications, Electronics and Computer Technology (Undergraduate Certificate/AAS)	Planned for deletion. No longer offered and no students enrolled. Suspended in AY12.

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Fire Service Administration (AAS)	Planned deletion. No longer offered and no students enrolled in
	program.

Summary

AY	Reviews Scheduled	Percent of Total
AY12*	0	0%
AY13	16	12%
AY14	23	18%
AY15	47	36%
AY16	44	34%
Total	130	

^{*}AY12 reviews were all extended into AY13 and are recorded there in this updated summary.

*For the information of the Board, Prince William Sound Community College also has three levels of review.

- 1. The Dean of Instruction reviews enrollment numbers and conducts a cost analysis.
- 2. Programs with low enrollment and/or a high cost are reviewed more closely by the Dean and the program lead; at this stage, program evaluation tools, including student outcomes and evaluations, are considered.
- 3. A conference between the Dean of Instruction, the program lead, and the PWSCC President is held to determine and action plan based on the review.

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