

University Assessment Committee  
May 5, 2017 9:00-10:30  
Raynor Library Conference Room C

Present: Sharron Ronco (Chair), Susan Bay, Jodi Blahnik, Karen Evans, Sarah Feldner, Steve Guastello, Laura MacBride, Marta Magiera, Paul McInerny, Margaret Sebern, Guy Simoneau, Pol Vandavelde, Baolin Wan, Jean Zaroni

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Sharron Ronco. Baolin Wan offered a reflection.

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the April 7, 2017 meeting were approved. Jodi Blahnik motioned to approve and Pol Vandavelde seconded the motion.

Institutional Assessment Report for 2015-16

The Committee reviewed and endorsed a draft of the Institutional Assessment Report prepared by Sharron Ronco. In the Program Assessment section of the report, examples of best practices and curriculum maps are included with links to PDF documents and not a link to the actual report. Permission was received from each program featured. The Program Assessment section also features, the types of measures used in the assessment reports, feedback on the reports, a list of programs without assessment reports, the changes to co-curricular learning outcomes and information on the assessment of the Core of Common Studies. The report also includes standardized licensure and certification exam results, results of the graduating senior survey, and data indicators of student success. Discussion regarding the senior survey included the comparison of the data to other institutions (since the survey is unique, this is not possible) and connecting the survey to the co-curriculars. It was noted that the retention and graduation rate dashboards show comparisons to peer and aspirational institutions and perhaps screen shots of the some the data visualizations could be added to the report. In addition, an executive summary will be included. The report will be shared with the Provost, Deans, and Associate Deans.

New Programs in need of assessment plans – revised list

The Committee reviewed a revised list of new programs needing assessment plans. Sharron will follow up with programs during the summer.

UAC report to Academic Senate

The University Assessment Committee report will be presented at the University Academic Senate meeting on May 6. The Committee reviewed that report and had no changes.

Other

Jenny Watson, Vice President for Academic Planning, briefly addressed the Committee thanking members for their work and indicated that she will be talking to the Dean's Council about assessment in the near future.

Nursing is one of the programs who will be undergoing program review in Spring 2018 and has requested that the Assessment Process Rating Guides be completed over the summer. Laura MacBride and Karen Evans volunteered to do this.

The Committee was thanked for its work during the past year, and outgoing members, Guy Simoneau, Laura MacBride, Jodi Blahnik, and Margaret Sebern were recognized for their service.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Zaroni