Accreditation Update

President’s Cabinet
October 1, 2018
Recommendation 1:

In order to ensure continuous improvement, the team recommends that the college revisit course and program assessment processes to improve the quality, effectiveness, and consistency of student learning outcomes assessment.
R1 Update:

- In the third year of the six-year cycle
- At each COA meeting, 4-5 Department Outcomes Coordinators (DOCs) present their findings
- Focusing on program level and administrative unit outcomes this year
- Many programs are revising their outcomes to better reflect what the program wants to know about their students
- DOC training offered every FLEX Week
- College-wide assessment afternoon each semester during FLEX Week
- Also revisiting our ILO assessment. In addition to the graduate survey and the mapping process, we are piloting a writing assignment in specific classes to be mapped to a particular ILO; beginning this year with Global Consciousness. The questions will address how a student’s time at Mesa has influenced his/her awareness and engagement in the world around them. The written responses will be blind-scored using a rubric by the instructors.
Recommendation 2:

In order to ensure continuous improvement, the team recommends that a consistent formal self-evaluation process be developed and implemented across all committees and that outcomes of that assessment be posted on the governance website.
R2 Update:

- Created and piloted an electronic committee evaluation survey at the end of last spring.
- PIEC reviewed survey results; discussing final modifications and processes.
- Created a committee accreditation update grid, to collect data regarding QFE and recommendations addressed by committee during the year.
- Committee accreditation update grid will accompany the committee evaluation survey.
- Evaluation survey and accreditation update grid will be implemented at the end of this academic year, once approved by President’s Cabinet.
- Committee chairs will receive notification regarding the implementation of the evaluation survey and accreditation grid.
- Results from the evaluation survey will be reviewed by the committee for changes/improvements in the new academic year.
- Data from the accreditation update grid will be collected, reviewed, and the meeting minutes reflecting the survey results discussion will be posted to the Committee’s web page.
Recommendation 3:

In order to ensure continuous improvement, the team recommends that the College has student learning outcome assessment data and analysis accessible to the public.
R3 Update:

- COA and IE are working on this recommendation.
- Currently, each program review module contains a form for outcomes assessment, with targeted questions to reveal the status of the assessment process for that program and the opportunity to discuss significant findings.
- Program review documents are available for review on the Program Review webpage, under Archives.
Recommendation 4:

In order to improve facilities and educational planning, the team recommends that the District develop an updated comprehensive Facilities Master Plan to integrate with each campus’s Educational Master Plan. The plan should be integrated with the College program review process and with the on-going and routine facilities assessments done by the College and District Facilities to include scheduled equipment replacement. The Facilities Master Plan should align with and directly support the District Strategic Plan and the College’s strategic plans.
R4 Update:

- Chris Manis has met with Executive Leadership
- A consultant has been retained to assist with Mesa’s Master Plan and we need to get it going again now that school is back in session
- The consultant and district representatives will be meeting soon with the Facilities Committee, Exercise Science, Performing Arts, and other groups, as needed, to start the process
- Once created the timeline will be shared with everyone
Recommendation 5:

In order to ensure continuous improvement, the team recommends continued effective communication through the consistent development and dissemination of robust committee meeting minutes that include constituent dialogue and feedback and that these enhanced minutes will be posted on the governance website.
R5 Update:

- Three suggested Agenda and Minutes templates are available for committee meeting documentation.
- Templates will be posted on the Governance webpage under Resources this week.
- Committee chairs have received or will soon receive notification regarding the template samples.
Recommendation 6:

In order to ensure continuous improvement, the team recommends continued effective communication through the inclusion and posting of the President’s Cabinet minutes, purpose, goals and agendas on the governance website.
R6 Update: Completed

The following information is posted on the College website under “Office of the President”:

- President’s Cabinet Agenda Outcomes
- Planning Documents
- College Reports
- Educational Master Plan
- President’s “First Monday on the Mesa” newsletter
Other Updates:

- Campus Labs log-in no longer needed, evidence documents saved internally
- Creating a shared drive for all documents and materials - past and current
- Reworking the website
Accreditation 2024 Timeline

2016-2017: Comprehensive Review
March 13th-16th Site Visit

2018-2019
Comprehensive Program Review

2019-2020
Strategic Master Plan

2020-2021:
Midterm Report Due
March 15th 2021

2021-2022:
Self-Evaluation Kick-Off

2023-2024:
Fall 2023 Final Self-Evaluation & Board Approval;
Spring 2024 Team Visit

2024:
Timeline

2018-2019
Comprehensive Program Review

2024:
Timeline