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Faculty Committee on Program Review
Annual Report, Academic Year 2006-07
James T. Jenkins, Chair

History: The Faculty Committee on Program Review (FCPR) was created by the Faculty Senate in 1996 to implement the regular reviews of departments that were mandated by President Rawlings. In its first three years, Peter Stein chaired the committee, and procedures and guidelines were put in place and a cycle of reviews was planned that included the entire university. In January 2001, Stephen Hamilton was appointed as Chair. Under Steve's guidance the FCPR worked to standardize and streamline its guidelines and procedures, including the posting of revised format for self studies. Joanne Fortune became Chair in January 2003. With Joanne's leadership, the committee brought to completion a backlog of over thirty reviews that had accumulated because of late reports by deans and department heads. I succeeded Joanne in January of 2005, with the challenge of completing the first cycle of reviews and beginning the second. The schedule for the second cycle of reviews was completed last year and the second-cycle reviews began this year.

Kristin Canger Walker continues to provide staff support to the committee and to maintain the "historical" record of the reviews.

Accomplishments: During the past year, five reports covering reviews in the previous academic year were sent to the Provost; one is still pending. In the past year, four site visits by an external review team (ERT) took place. The reporting for two of these reviews was completed and the final report submitted to the Provost. We are currently awaiting one or more reports/responses for the other two. Ten reviews are in various stages of preparation for their site visits and should be completed during the coming year (Appendix I). Appendix II summarizes the progress of the first and second review cycles over the past ten years.

Colleges that consist of essentially one department and units that have a significant professional component have proved difficult to schedule for review. First-cycle reviews of two of these, the School of Industrial and Labor Relations and the Department of Architecture, were completed during the past year.

Finally, the beginning of the second cycle of reviews was taken to be an appropriate time to evaluate of the review processes itself. During the past year, an FCPR subcommittee gathered suggestions for improvements in the process from former heads of units reviewed in the past for consideration by the full FCPR, the deans, and the provosts.

Summary: The committee completed a year in which ten reviews were active. In particular, reviews of the School of Industrial and Labor Relations and the Department of Architecture took place. Suggestions for the improvement of the review process were obtained and will be implemented in the coming year.

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Appendix I
Summary of 2006-07 Accomplishments**

Active Reviews

Final report sent to Provost, ERT visit 2005-2006

Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
Civil and Environmental Engineering
Entomology
Molecular Medicine
Population Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences

Final report sent to Provost, ERT visit 2006-2007

Electrical and Computer Engineering
Feminist Gender and Sexuality Studies

ERT visit occurred, reporting not completed

Law
Architecture
Industrial and Labor Relations

Scheduled Reviews 2007-2008

Fall 2007

Cornell Institute for Public Affairs
Ecology and Evolutionary Biology CALS/A&S 98/99
Human Development (with Cornell Institute for Research on Children) HEC
Development Sociology CALS 97/98
Computer Science ENG/A&S 98/99
Ornithology 99/00

Spring 2008

Plant Breeding and Genetics CALS 97/98
Linguistics A&S 98/99
Molecular Biology and Genetics A&S/CALS 98/99
Neurobiology and Behavior A&S/CALS 98/99
Animal Science CALS 98/99
Division of Nutritional Science HEC/CALS 98/99
Plant Biology CALS 98/99
Plant Pathology (Ithaca & Geneva) CALS 98/99
Theoretical and Applied Mechanics ENG 99/00
Statistics
Hotel Administration

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Appendix II
Reviews Completed, Ordered by Year of ERT Visit

1997-1998

Electrical Engineering
Microbiology (Division of Biological Sciences)
Plant Engineering
Rural Sociology

1998-1999

Agricultural, Resource, and Managerial Economics
Animal Science
Bailey Hortorium (Division of Biological Sciences)
Biochemical, Molecular, and Cell Biology (Division of Biological Sciences)
Computer Science
Ecology and Systematics (Division of Biological Sciences)
Fruit and Vegetable Science (Ithaca), Horticultural Science (Geneva)
Genetics and Development (Division of Biological Sciences)
Linguistics
Neurobiology and Behavior
Nutritional Sciences
Plant Biology (Division of Biological Sciences)
Plant Pathology
Physiology (Division of Biological Sciences)

1999-2000

Communication
Natural Resources
Ornithology
Theoretical and Applied Mechanics

2000-2001

Agricultural and Biological Engineering
Anthropology
Biomedical Sciences
CIIFAD
Clinical Sciences
Economics
Education
Einaudi Center
Floriculture and Ornamental Horticulture
History
History of Art
Microbiology and Immunology
Psychology
Science and Technology Studies
Sociology
Art

2001-2002

Chemistry and Chemical Biology
City and Regional Planning
Crop and Soil Science
German Studies
Government
Johnson Museum
Music
Policy Analysis and Management
Operations Research and Industrial Engineering

2002-2003

Asian Studies
Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering
Classics
Comparative Literature
Near Eastern Studies
Philosophy
Romance Studies
Textiles and Apparel
Theatre, Film, and Dance

2003-2004

Baker Institute
Cornell University Press
Astronomy
English
Materials Science and Engineering
Mathematics

2004-2005

Applied and Engineering Physics
Design and Environmental Analysis
Earth and Atmospheric Science
Food Science
Physics
Population Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences

2005-2006

Africana
Civil and Environmental Engineering
Entomology
Family Life Development Center
Law*
Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
Molecular Medicine
Society for the Humanities

2006-2007

Architecture*
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Industrial and Labor Relations*
Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

*ERT visit completed, reports pending