

GSW Annual Reporting Update for Academic Units

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Context for 2019-20 Reports and Beyond

- Submission Date for 2018-19 Annual Reports
 - **December 15, 2020**
- GSW Interim Fifth-Year Report submitted, but feedback pending
- Begin Preparing for Referral Report or for Reaffirmation Fall 2020
- Momentum Approach Ongoing
- GSW Decennial Reaffirmation 2023-24
 - Compliance Certificate due September 2023
 - Onsite Visit Spring 2024

Annual Reporting for Academic Programs

- **Last Year**
 - Assessment plan for the next three years
 - Unit Strategic Plan Update
- **This Year**
 - Feedback on Assessment Plans from IEC
 - Any changes to assessment plan?
 - Storm Track review report
 - Unit Strategic Plan Update
- **Next Year**
 - Three-Year Trend Report on assessment plan/outcomes/results for AY 2018-19, 2019-20, & 2020-21
 - Improvement Plans
 - Unit Strategic Plan Update
- **And once again with feeling . . .**

Academic Unit Assessment of Programs

- Academic Program effectiveness falls under Standard 8.2a: The institution identifies expected outcomes, assesses the extent to which it achieves these outcomes, and provides evidence of seeking improvement based on analysis of the results in the areas below:
 - Student learning outcomes for each of its educational programs
- **Certificate and Minor Programs are Educational Programs**
 - Assessment plans for Certificate Programs
 - How do Minor Programs fit into Program Assessment?

Minors and Certificates

- Completion of a minor indicates a familiarity with this discipline but not the level of mastery indicated by completion of a major. The minor is usually a subset of the courses required for the major designed to introduce the discipline and provide foundational concepts.
- A certificate is a set of courses, sometimes in the same discipline but often interdisciplinary, that are all related to the same specific field of study, skillset, or competency. Completion of a certificate demonstrates a level of competency within the subject of the certificate.

Assessment Plan Review & Momentum Approach

- Institutional Effectiveness Committee will review assessment plans submitted during fall 2019 and provide feedback by October 30, 2020
- Storm Tracks (Degree Pathways) Review
 - Course Rotation Alignment
 - Flexible on and off ramps
 - Catapult Courses
 - G2C Model for Redesign of Catapult Courses (let me know if you want to do this)
- Prerequisite Classes
 - When did your program last review its prerequisite courses?

General Education Program

- USG General Education Redesign
 - Where are we now?
- General Education effectiveness falls under Standard 8.2b: The institution identifies expected outcomes, assesses the extent to which it achieves these outcomes, and **provides evidence of seeking improvement based on analysis of the results in the areas below:**
 - Student Outcomes: General Education
- General Education Task Force
 - Be Prepared to Contribute

A Look Ahead for Online Classes

- The US Department of Education has issued a new Negotiated Rule relating to Distance Education and Innovation.
- Rule goes into effect July 1, 2021
- Significant aspects that define Distance Education (as opposed to Correspondence Education)
 - Regular and Substantive Interaction between instructors and students
 - Proactive Monitoring of Student Engagement and Success

A Word About Using Templates

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QUESTIONS?

