

Program Review Committee
Resolution Regarding the Program Review Overview
May 3, 2012

WHEREAS the program review process is important mechanism to evaluate strengths and weakness of a degree program; and

WHEREAS the Illinois Board of Higher Education requires each degree program at public institutions to be reviewed at least once every eight years; and

WHEREAS the Illinois General Assembly requires annual reporting of all public universities concerning underperforming degree programs (as defined by enrollments, graduation, and costs per credit hour); and

WHEREAS the current Program Review Process (approved by the Graduate Council on September 2, 2010) collects data required by the Illinois Board of Higher Education, but does not specifically gather data for the reporting requirements of the Illinois General Assembly; and

WHEREAS the Program Review Overview/Guidelines were revised to collect data for reporting to the Illinois Board of Higher Education and the Illinois General Assembly, to reduce duplicative reporting and paperwork by the use of electronic databases, to streamline the review process by combining the internal and external reviews into one, and to increase the implementation of the recommendations resulting from the program review through follow-ups by the ~~Academic~~ ^{ASSOCIATE} Provost for Academic Programs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Program Review Committee recommends that the Graduate Council adopt the revised Program Review Overview/Guidelines.