Annual Departmental Plan Report

Program Information

Program/Department: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

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Please be as detailed as possible in your responses. We will use this information to fulfill our NEASC requirements and this report will help with your next Program Review or aid with your external accreditation. This file is to be kept in the department and an electronic file is due to the Director of Assessment by May 31 each academic year.

Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs) (Educational Objectives)

I. List all PLOs and the timeline for assessment.

PLO#	PLO – Stated in assessable terms.	Timing of assessment (annual, semester, bi-annual, etc.)	When was the last assessment of the PLO completed?
	Program Intended Student Learning Outcomes	Annual	May 2017
1.	Students will be able to explain the major concepts in the functional areas of accounting, marketing, finance, and management.	Annual	May 2017
2.	Students will be able to evaluate the legal, social and economic environments of business.	Annual	May 2017
3.	Students will be able to describe the global environment of business.	Annual	May 2017
4.	Students will be able to describe and explain the ethical obligations and responsibilities of business.	Annual	May 2017
5.	Students will be able to apply decision-support tools to business decision making.	Annual	May 2017

6.	Students will be able to construct and present effective oral and written forms of professional communications.	Annual	May 2017
7.	Students will be able to apply knowledge of business concepts and functions in an integrated manner.	Annual	May 2017
	Intended Student Learning Outcomes: Concentration in Management	Annual	May 2017
8.	Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of and competencies in performing the basic activities of managers in an organizational setting.	Annual	May 2017
9.	Students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of team effectiveness and apply the principles of effective leadership in an organizational setting.	Annual	May 2017
	Intended Student Learning Outcomes: Concentration in Marketing	Annual	May 2017
10.	Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge and competencies in fundamental marketing concepts, theories, and principles in areas of marketing policy, market and consumer behavior, product distribution, promotion, and pricing.	Annual	May 2017
11.	Students will be able to identify types of business strategies that contribute to establishing brands in a global setting.	Annual	May 2017
	Intended Student Learning Outcomes: Concentration in Accounting	Annual	May 2017
12.	Students will be able to understand how to calculate, record, and provide financial information about the reporting entity that is useful to its present and potential equity investors, its lenders, and other creditors to assist them in making decisions about providing resources to the entity.	Annual	May 2017
13.	Students will be able to identify types of taxes used by federal and state governments to raise revenue, differentiate between tax avoidance and tax evasion; apply the tax tables and tax rate schedules to determine taxable income or refund.	Annual	May 2017
14.	Students will be able to understand the functions of managerial and cost accounting in the areas of planning with the use of budgets; controlling, by assessing the entity's financial performance, and decision-making where the entity uses results of its financial performance to make current and future decisions.	Annual	May 2017

<u>PLO Assessment</u> (Please report on the PLOs assessed and/or reviewed this year, programs should be assessing at least one each year.)

Using the table below, list and briefly describe the **direct method(s)** used to collect information assessing whether students are learning the core sets of knowledge (K), skills (S) and attitudes (A) identified as essential.

PLO#	Assessment description (exam, observation, national standardized exam, oral presentation with rubric, etc.)	When assessment was administered in student program (internship, 4 th year, 1 st year, etc.)	To which students were assessments administered (all, only a sample, etc.)	What is the target set for the PLO? (criteria for success)	Reflection on the results: How was the "loop closed"?
PLO's 1 – 7 and SLO's 8 - 14	Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) Capstone Business Simulation Project with rubric (direct measure of learning outcomes)	Senior year	Sample	On the BSBA capstone business simulation evaluation rubric, the overall mean rating of graduating students on each coreoutcomerelated evaluation criterion will be 3 or higher and on the concentration specificoutcomerelated evaluation criterion will be	Please see the following section for how loop was closed for previous year's below target results.

				4 or higher (out of a possible 5 representing "exemplary").	
PLO's 1 – 7 and SLO's 8 - 14	BSBA Capstone Integrated Case with rubric (direct measure of learning outcomes)	Senior year	Sample	On the BSBA capstone integrated case evaluation rubric, the overall mean rating of graduating students on each coreoutcomerelated evaluation criterion will be 3 or higher and on the concentration specificoutcomerelated evaluation criterion will be 4 or higher (out of a possible 5 representing	Students performed on or above targets for this measure during the prior year's assessment.
PLO's 1 – 7 and	BSBA Internship Survey (indirect measure of learning outcomes)	Junior and Senior year	Sample	"exemplary") On the BSBA internship survey instrument, at	Please see the following section for how loop was closed for previous

SLO's 8 - 14				least 80% of graduating students will indicate that to a "moderate extent" or "great extent" learning in their internship contributed to the successful achievement of each coreoutcomerelated evaluation and the concentration specific outcomerelated evaluation criterion.	year's below target results.
PLO's 1 – 7 and SLO's 8 - 14	BSBA Senior Exit Survey (indirect measure of learning outcomes)	Senior year	Sample	On the BSBA exit survey instrument, at least 80% of graduating students will indicate that to a "moderate extent" or	Students performed on or above targets for this measure during the prior year's assessment.

	"great extent"	
	learning in thei	r
	program	
	contributed to	
	the successful	
	achievement of	
	each core-	
	outcome-	
	related	
	evaluation and	
	the	
	concentration	
	specific-	
	outcome-	
	related	
	evaluation	
	criterion.	

II. Summary of Findings: Briefly summarize the results of the PLO assessments reported in Section II above combined with other relevant evidence gathered and show how these are being reviewed/discussed. How are you "closing the loop"?

Other than GPA, what data/ evidence is used to determine that graduates have achieved the stated outcomes for the degree? (e.g., capstone course, portfolio review, licensure examination)	Who interprets the evidence? What is the process? (e.g. annually by the curriculum committee)	What changes have been made as a result of using the data/evidence? (close the loop)
BSBA Capstone Business Simulation	Department chair, BSAD department	After the previous year's
Project and rubric	assessment coordinator, and faculty	assessment, BSAD faculty who
BSBA Capstone Integrated Case and	reviewed with particular emphasis on	teach accounting students were
rubric	results bellow desired thresholds	advised that only 71% of
BSBA Internship Survey		accounting students indicated they

BSBA Senior Exit Survey		were able to describe the global environment of business (LO 3) to a moderate or great extent (below the 80% threshold) within the internship survey. This year's data suggests this loop has been closed as the percentage for accounting concentration students increased to 84% this year in the internship survey. (And, was above threshold for all other measures.)
BSBA Capstone Business Simulation Project and rubric BSBA Capstone Integrated Case and rubric BSBA Internship Survey BSBA Senior Exit Survey	Department chair, BSAD department assessment coordinator, and faculty reviewed with particular emphasis on results bellow desired thresholds	After the previous year's assessment, marketing instructors were advised that the learning outcome result was a 3.8 (below 4.0 threshold) for ability to demonstrate knowledge and competencies in fundamental marketing concepts, theories, and principles in areas of marketing policy, market and consumer behavior, produce distribution, promotion, and pricing (LO 10) within the simulation project. This year's data suggests this loop has been closed as the percentage for marketing students increased to 5.0 this year in the simulation project. (And, was above threshold for all other measures.)

BSBA Capstone Business Simulation Project and rubric BSBA Capstone Integrated Case and rubric BSBA Internship Survey BSBA Senior Exit Survey	Department chair, BSAD department assessment coordinator, and faculty reviewed with particular emphasis on results bellow desired thresholds	During this assessment period, all targets were met.

Assessment Plan for Program/Department

I. Insert the program or department Assessment Plan

The latest Business Administration Department assessment plan will be provided with this report.

II. Explain any changes in the assessment plan including new or revised PLOs, new assessments that the program/department plans to implement and new targets or goals set for student success.

No changes were made to the department's assessment plan.

III. If you do not have a plan, would you like help in developing one?

Yes

University Data

I. SSC Data

Indicate at least one Student Success Performance Measure that the department/program has identified for planned change or improvement.

Freshman retention, bottleneck courses, graduation rates, at risk student retention etc.

a. What was the focus this year?

Student Success Measure Implemented Intervention	Update on Implemented Intervention
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(data point from SSC)		(i.e. change in target, satisfied with outcome, not satisfied, will continue or not)
Graduation Rate by 1 st Year	The BSAD chair reached out to 1 st year	This is last year's data: -8.5% 4.0+, -3.4% 3.8-3.99, and 6.4% 3.6-3.79.
GPA	students with GPA's 3.6 and higher and informed them about the new business	Target scores: at least 0% (the same as the
Note: We selected this	honor society and business department	institution)
measure because the previous	club opportunities.	Me are weiting for 2017 2018 SSC Data to see if
year's data indicated that the BSAD has a higher than		We are waiting for 2017-2018 SSC Data to see if there has been an improvement.
average FSU institution		there has been an improvement.
graduation rate for students		
with mid-range GPAs, but		
lower than average graduation rates for some of the higher		
end GPA ranges.		

b. What will your focus be for the upcoming year?*

Student Success Measure (data point from SSC)	Rationale for selection	Planned or Implemented Intervention	Current score/ Target Score	This measure was selected because of last Program Review or Accreditation (yes/no)
Graduation Rate by 1 st Year GPA	We will monitor the same data point as the previous year and continue efforts to improve retention of higher GPA students. We will also focus on lowering the rate of transfer students.	Continue to reach out to 1 st year students with GPA's 3.6 and higher and inform them about the honor society, business club, and other opportunities.		No
	of transfer students.			

*Note: Programs may wish to monitor or review the same data point over multiple years.

II. Trend Data

Indicate **at least one** Department Performance Measure that the program/department identified for change or improvement. Number of graduates, number of majors, credit production, substitutions etc.

a. What was the focus this year?

Department Performance Measure (data point from Trend Data)	Implemented Intervention	Update on Implemented Intervention (i.e. change in target, satisfied with outcome, not satisfied, will continue or not)
Increase FT faculty in department	Administration approved searches for two new tenure track BSAD faculty members. These searches were originally scheduled to begin Fall 2017.	Management and department chair decided to wait for the new dean before conducting searches.
Increase number of Entrepreneurship Minor students	Offered Introduction to Entrepreneurship course during fall semester, and attempted to recruit students to the minor. Also tried to recruit through Entrepreneurship Club.	Will continue as there was no change (increase) in number of minors.

b. What will be the focus next year?*

Department Performance Measure (data point from Trend Data)	Rationale for selection	Planned or Implemented Intervention	Current score/ Target Score	This measure was selected because of last Program Review or Accreditation (yes/no)
Increase FT tenure and tenure-track faculty in department	While there has been increasingly fewer FT tenure and tenure-track BSAD faculty each year,	Conduct faculty searches.	9/12	No

	the number of BSAD major and minors has increased.			
Increase number of Entrepreneurship Minor students	The number of minor students did not change from previous year	Consider AUC proposal to allow business students to obtain this minor (currently only nonbusiness majors have this opportunity). Continue utilizing Entrepreneurship Club and Introduction to Entrepreneurship as recruitment vessels.	3/20	No

^{*}Note: Programs may wish to monitor or review the same data point over multiple years.

Program Review Action Plan or External Accreditation Action Letter/Report

Yes

Annual Reflection/Follow-up on Action Plan from last Program Review or external accreditation (only complete the table that is appropriate for your program)

I. Programs that fall under Program Review:

- i. Date of most recent Review:
- ii. Insert the Action Plan table from your last Program Review and give any progress towards completing the tasks or achieving targets set forth in the plan.

Specific area where improvement is needed	Evidence to support the recommended change	Person(s) responsible for implementing the change	Timeline for implementation	Resources needed	Assessment Plan	Progress Made this Year
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iii.	If you do n	ot have an action 1	plan, would you li	ike help in developi	ng one based or	n your last progr	am review
	and needs of	of the program?					

II. Programs with external Accreditation:

- i. Accreditor: IACBEii. Date of last review:
- iii. Date of next review and type of review: Fall 2018 through Spring 2019 self-study; Final report to be submitted to IACBE by October 15, 2019; January 2020 Site visit, April 2020 IACBE Board of Commissioners Meeting
- iv. List key performance indicators:

List key issues for continuing	Key performance indicators as	Update on fulfilling the action
accreditation identified in	required by agency or selected by	letter/report or on meeting the key
accreditation action letter or	program (licensure, board or bar	performance indicators.
report.	pass rates; employment rates,	
-	etc.)(If required.)	
No key issues		

	UARC Peer Review of the Program Annual Report
Program:	Date of Review:

	Progra	m Learning Outcomes (P	PLOs)		
Criterion	Highly Developed (3)	Developed (2)	Emerging (1)	Initial (0)	Score
Program Learning	All or almost all PLOs	Most of the PLOs	PLOs written in	PLOs not	
Outcomes (PLOs)	clearly stated and	clearly stated and	general, broad or	provided.	
	measurable.	measurable.	abstract statements		
			OR are not		
			measurable.		
Expected Timing of	All or almost all PLOs have	Most PLOs have a	Very few PLOs	No timelines are	
Assessment	a timeline stated.	timeline stated.	have a stated	given or are To	
			timeline.	Be Determined	
				(TBD).	
Assessment Tool	Assessment tool(s) is/are	Assessment tool(s) are	Assessment tool(s)	Assessment	
Quality	strong: very good quality	acceptable: good	are a good start but	tool(s) are either	
	and appropriate.	quality and appropriate	could use some	not appropriate or	
			strengthening or	not discussed.	
			changes.		
PLO Assessment	More than one PLO	At least one PLO assed	At least one PLO	No assessments	
	assessed and information is	and information is	assessed,	completed during	
	complete in the chart.	complete in chart.	information is not	the academic year	
			complete in chart.	reported.	
Criteria for Success	The criteria for student	Most criteria for student	Criteria for student	Criteria for	
	success of each PLO is	success of each PLO is	success discussed	student success	
	clearly stated and is	clearly stated and is	or touched upon but	not provided.	
	appropriate.	appropriate.	not clearly stated or		
			is not appropriate.		
Summary of Findings	Measures used in from PLO	Very limited use of data	Used evidence	No summary	
	assessment fully	from PLO assessment	other than PLO	utilizing	

	incorporated with additional evidence to formulate the summary and analysis supports the summary.	incorporated with additional evidence to formulate the summary and analysis somewhat supports summary.	assessment to formulate the summary or analysis of the data doesn't seem to support summary.	assessment data is evident.	
	Assessme	nt Plan for Program/Dep			
Criterion	Highly Developed (3)	Developed (2)	Emerging (1)	Initial (0)	Score
Department or Program Assessment Plan	Assessment Plan provided. Has clearly stated process with reasonable expectations.	Assessment Plan provided. Has somewhat clear process and/or somewhat reasonable expectations.	Assessment Plan provided, the process is not clear and/or the expectations are not reasonable.	No Assessment Plan provided.	
Activities and Adjustments to/Deviation from the Department/Program Assessment Plan	Decision to change or not change the assessment plan are clearly stated and decision(s) are appropriate based on the reported results.	Decision to change or not change the assessment plan are described in general terms and may be appropriate based on the reported results.	Decision to change or not change the assessment plan are vague and lack clarity.	No changes are discussed.	
		University Data			
Criterion	Highly Developed (3)	Developed (2)	Emerging (1)	Initial (0)	Score
SSC Data for Current Review Period	Intervention undertaken by program/department for at least one SSC data point. Clearly documented results.	Intervention undertaken by program/department for at least one SSC data point. Plan not fully implemented.	Planned intervention by program/ department for at least one SSC data point. No plan implemented.	No SSC data analyzed and/or reported on.	
SSC Data for Upcoming Review Period	At least one component of the SSC data selected to assess, rationale provided,	At least one component of the SSC selected to assessed, some of the	SSC data discussed and some or part of the assessment,	No SSC data analyzed and/or reported on.	

	targets set and intervention seems to be appropriate based on information provided.	rationale provided, targets set and intervention seems to be appropriate based on	targets or interventions are emerging but not fully appropriate.		
Trend Data for Current Review Period	Intervention undertaken by program/department for at least one Trend data point. Clearly documented results.	information provided. Intervention undertaken by program/department for at least one Trend data point. Plan not fully implemented.	Planned intervention by program/ department for at least one Trend data point. No plan implemented.	No Trend data analyzed and/or reported on.	
Trend Data for Upcoming Review Period	At least one component of the Trend data selected to assess, rationale provided, targets set and intervention seems to be appropriate based on information provided.	At least one component of the Trend selected to assessed, some of the rationale provided, targets set and intervention seems to be appropriate based on information provided.	Trend data discussed and some or part of the assessment, targets or interventions are emerging but not fully appropriate.	No Trend data analyzed and/or reported on.	
		ternal Accreditation Acti			
Criterion	Highly Developed (3)	Developed (2)	Emerging (1)	Initial (0)	Score
Only for those under Program Review Annual Reflection on Program Review	Full Action Plan provided with definitive on-going progress clearly stated.	Full Action Plan provided with some discussion of on-going progress plans stated.	Full Action Plan provided with vague ideas regarding on-going progress plans stated.	Action Plan is either not provided or there no progress or plans stated for progress discussed.	
Only for those under External Accreditation	Key issues and performance standards provided with definitive on-going progress clearly stated.	Key issues and performance standards provided with some	Key issues and performance standards provided with vague ideas	Key issues and/or performance standards are either not	

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Annual Reflection on	discussion of on-going	regarding on-going	provided or there	
Report/Letter from	progress stated.	progress plans	has been no	
accrediting body.		stated.	progress or plans	
			stated for	
			progress.	
Comments:				

NOTE: This rubric is NOT an evaluation of the program/department. It is simply a tool for UARC to use as an aid in reviewing and providing constructive feedback to each program.