

Title	Academic Program Review
Number	F1006
Category	Instruction

1. PURPOSE

To establish a quality assurance mechanism for the systematic review of academic programs/instructional departments in accordance with provincial government expectations.

2. DEFINITIONS

Annual Update – brief, annual departmental self-assessments.

Program Review Committee – a standing committee of Education Council.

3. POLICY

3.1 This policy applies to:

- a) all academic programs that lead to a credential;
- b) instructional departments that offer courses that support a credential;
- c) Continuing Studies programs that are subject to the approval of Education Council.

3.2 Program Review at Langara College is faculty led, transparent, collaborative and data informed. It supports the College's mandate and mission to provide high-quality programs to diverse learners. It does not evaluate the performance of individual faculty, staff or administrators.

3.3 Reviews are formative, building upon previous reviews and guiding continuous improvement at the department/program level.

3.4 All departments/programs will undergo review on a regular basis. Degree programs will undergo review at least once every five years; all non-degree programs will undergo review at least once every seven years.

3.5 Programs subject to external accreditation are not exempt from review. Whenever possible, accreditation and program reviews will occur concurrently to reduce duplication of similar processes. Recognition of full or partial equivalence may be granted where the department/program demonstrates that external accreditation review meets or exceeds the requirements of the College's program review process.

3.6 A review takes no longer than 12 months to complete and consists of a Self-Study, External Review and Action Plan. The Program Review Committee will vet each Self-Study.

3.7 Departments/programs will report their Action Plan progress in their Annual Updates.

4. RESPONSIBILITY

For inquiries about this policy, contact the Associate Vice-President, Academic.

5. REGULATIONS/PROCEDURES

Program Review at Langara College.

History/Revision	
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