

Agenda APROC Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2019
1-2 PM
CEN 430

- 1. Update on Site Visits (Mai)**
- 2. Spring Conference (Jen)**
- 3. Process Evaluation Discussion**
- 4. Discussion of Innovation Award Application**

- 1. *Update on Site Visits (Mai absent)***
- 2. *Spring Conference***

We discussed the possibility of submitting a session proposal to spring conference. Jen Steele suggested a collaborative session focused on institutional planning and effectiveness, with APROC participating in two 45-minute, linked sessions. The first would feature IEC, Research and Planning, and APROC. The second portion would be a drop-in session where APROC could field questions. Here's some suggested language for the second portion (Jen, are you writing up the proposal?)

"Attend Academic Program Review's drop-in session to learn from programs that have completed the first stages of the process, ask questions of APROC members and program review coaches, speak with Institutional Research about the range of inquiries that program review supports, query A-Team members about the role of the assessment of student learning in the program review process."

We also spoke about the need to reach out to the programs that are slated for next year and start them on-boarding with IR this spring term and not waiting for Fall 2019. Spring Conference could be an opportunity for the slated programs to ask questions and make contact with coaches (we'll need to divvy up programs at one of our next meetings) and extend them a personal invitation to the break-out session, assuming our proposal is accepted.

3. *Year zero*

The question of a year zero has yet to be decided, but we'd like to pilot the Spring term on-boarding and see if it mitigates some of the challenges that programs have experienced--esp. with data collection/selection and analysis (for instance, it really takes two months from a survey conception through to collection and analysis of data/report to relevant faculty). The other issue is that we need to be framing program review as a multi-year process of continual improvement, so programs that can't accomplish all they'd like to are less panicked about what they haven't completed in year one (or, in the upcoming pilot, year one + the previous spring term).

We got a bit of an update from Jen and IR that although we are not hiring additional data analysts at this time, we will soon have someone on campus who will be cleaning up data and creating a data "warehouse," so that Molloy and Cathy can extract information and undertake analysis more easily.

4. *NWCCU draft new standards*

NWCCU has a draft of its new standards; assessment is threaded throughout the standards; we should all take a look at the standards and give our feedback to our ALO (who is Paul J) about areas we think need clarification/improvement. Feedback should be submitted by the end of June/early July. Here's the link to the new standards: <http://www.nwccu.org/accreditation/standards-review/>