

Assessment, Improvement, Measurement (AIM): 09/20/2013

Plan Year: 2012-2013

Unit: Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education

Coordinator(s): Maria Rutherford, Karman Wheeler, Jenny Jones

Reviewer: Jenny Jones

Program Health Review: Use the Annual Program Health Review to evaluate student achievement and, if warranted based upon analysis of the results, make program changes to improve student achievement. Identify expected student learning outcomes, assess the extent to which these outcomes are achieved, and provide evidence of improvement based on analysis of the results.

Measure Text: PROGRAM HEALTH REVIEW - LEVEL 1 1. Program Health Review - Refer to the attached Annual Program Summary for longitudinal information related to enrollment, graduates, employment, employer and alumni satisfaction, and licensure pass rates. 2. Student Learning outcomes Three student learning outcomes – Plan an assessment for each outcome identified, and assess the extent to which these outcomes are achieved, and provide evidence of improvement based on analysis of the results.

Achievement Target: Program Health Review Target - Maintain a level 1 assessment with comments from program coordinator, assistant dean, dean and vice president according to attached time schedule. Student Learning Outcome Target - Student learning outcomes are identified, assessed on level of achievement, and evidence of improvement are provided based on analysis of the results according to the attached time schedule.

Results: Program Coordinator: 1. Strengths of the Program - The IEC Program has experienced major growth within the past two years especially in online classes. Our class offerings have risen from fifteen classes a semester to twenty three. As the coordinator, I have implemented several new techniques to accommodate the growth. 1: Standardized Course Shell for all IEC Classes. 2. Generated Email Blasts to all IEC Students for Graduation Applications, Advising Notes, and/ or special training session, etc. 3: Specialized Advising Packets for each semester giving the student important information about changes in the program etc. 4. The IEC faculty made gathering Data from specific classes and student learning outcomes a priority during 2012 - 2013. (TEXT) 2. Items Requiring Continued Attention - (TEXT) As the IEC Coordinator, I believe the ongoing problem would be that we need a person who uses part of their weekly load to ensure that all NINE documents needed per IEC student are intact and the student is expected to be in compliance. During the fall, 2012, the IEC Department had Mrs. Cooper who worked so well on this project during the fall, 2012. We are asking that this continue in the future to ensure that the MOA's with Directors in the community continues to move forward in a positive manner.. Document and provide evidence indicating how last year's program review resulted in improvements in the program/department. The IEC Department used the Program Health Review to consider strategies on improving advising, retention in online classes, and employer satisfaction of graduates. Directors stated at the Advisory Meeting in October that they were very happy with the BCTC eCommunity of Background Checks and our implementation plan for this to be on a yearly basis. The directors believe this ensures the students doing observations in their center are in compliance with state regulations. Thus, the directors are protected from fines up to \$1200.00 per student for non compliance. IEC Graduation Applications have shown an increase in student completion as well.

AD Comments: IECE is a strong program with much demand. We currently have one fulltime faculty dedicated to the program. I recommend that we hire a new faculty member to share the teaching load, to share advising duties, and to serve the college. The program coordinator is intrinsically involved in the program and does an outstanding job. The health of the program is evidence of this.

Dean Comments: Agree with coordinators comments. Strong program and creative faculty member with strong advisory committee.

VP Comments:

Target Results:

Findings:
