Guidance for Program Reviewers

Please provide a narrative describing your observations and judgments regarding the overall state and quality of the program based on your site visit and your review of the program’s self study. At a minimum, address the following questions in your summary:

1. Overall
   1. Is the current number and distribution of faculty sufficient to carry out the broad overall mission of the Department (Teaching; Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity; and Service).
   2. Is the level of the Department’s RSCA appropriate for the program given the size of the faculty and the resources available to the Department? Is the Department’s level of external funding at an appropriate level?
   3. Is the level of service, outside of teaching, appropriate for the program given its size and the role that it plays in the University and broader communities it interacts with? Is the Department able to fulfill its service mission?
   4. Does the Department have an appropriate level of financial resources, staff, physical facilities, library resources, and technology to fulfill its mission?
2. Undergraduate Program
   1. Is the Department fulfilling its service role, adequately preparing non-majors for future coursework and/or satisfying the needs for general education?
   2. Is the program attracting majors likely to succeed in the program? Is the number of majors appropriate for the program? Is the program attracting a diverse group of students?
   3. Does the undergraduate curriculum provide majors with an adequate background to pursue discipline-related careers or graduate work following graduation?
   4. Are the resources and the number of and distribution of faculty sufficient to support the undergraduate program?
   5. Are pedagogical practices appropriate? Is teaching adequately assessed?
   6. Does the program have learning-outcomes goals and outcomes-assessment methods in place? Are the program’s methods for outcomes assessment effective?
   7. Are students able to move into to discipline-related careers and/or pursue further academic work?
3. Graduate Program
   1. Is the program attracting students likely to succeed in the program? Is the number of students appropriate for the program? Is the program attracting a diverse group of students?
   2. Does the graduate curriculum provide an adequate background to pursue discipline-related careers following graduation?
   3. Does the program provide adequate mentoring and advising to students to prepare them for discipline-related careers?
   4. Are the resources and the number of and distribution of faculty sufficient to support the graduate program?
   5. Does the program offer appropriate financial support to graduate students?
   6. Is teaching adequately assessed?
   7. Are students able to move into to discipline-related careers?
   8. For doctoral programs, questions related to D.III of the Ohio Board of Regents Advisory Committee on Graduate Study’s “Guidelines and Procedures for Review and Approval of Graduate Degree Programs.”

<http://regents.ohio.gov/rgp/pdfs/RACGS%20Guidelines%20Approved%20102403.pdf>

1. Areas of concern.
2. Recommendations.
3. Commendations.
4. Overall judgment: Is the program viable as a whole?