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Dear Mr. Immerblum,

The College has completed its process its Comprehensive Program Review. We would like to thank you for all the work you have put into providing the College with detailed information on your programs through the Program Review Self-Evaluation. The following comments, commendations and recommendations are the culmination of a campus-wide validation process that included the Strategic Planning Committee, Educational Planning Subcommittee, Facilities Planning Subcommittee, Technology Planning Subcommittee, Enrollment Management Committee, Learning Assessment Committee, Program Review and Viability Committee and the ELAC Shared Governance Council.

The following comments, commendations and recommendations are provided for incorporation in your annual planning. Each recommendation will need to be addressed in your Annual Update Plan (AUP) due at the end of September 2014. To be clear, these recommendations serve as part of our process for continual quality improvement. Typically, recommendations require planning improvements that will be implemented over time. Through collegial dialog on the recommendations, each department should develop a strategy for addressing the recommendations. The program review AUP allows a department to report on its efforts and identify needed resources. The Office of Institutional Effectiveness and the Program Review and Viability Committee are available to assist departments through this process.

Comments:
None

Commendations:
Commendation for the leadership work the Academic Senate leaders have done on various shared governance committees.

Recommendations:
1) That the Academic Senate, similar to its adoption of General Education Philosophy Statement, adopt a Distance Education Philosophy statement to guide curriculum development as it pertains to distance learning.
2) That the Academic Senate regularly assess the efficacy of the General Education course offerings using, among other methods, assessment of Institutional and General Education Learning Outcomes (IGELOs).

3) That the Academic Senate, though not a program, implement the Learning Assessment Committee recommendation of assessing its communication to the faculty and making improvements as a result of those assessments.

Thank you again for your dedicated work on improving the College and your programs.

Sincerely,

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Marvin Martinez
President
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