

**Time:** 9:30 – 10:30 AM **Location:** West Hall Room 118

**Members present:** Dr. Michael Black, Dr. Byron Brown, Dr. Ray Elson, Mr. Michael Holt, Dr. Hanae Kanno, Mr. Marc Kaiser, Dr. Jane Kinney, Dr. Deborah Robson, Dr. Christy Yates, Dr. Sudip Chakraborty, Mr. Brandon Mainer and Mrs. Natalie Kuhlmann

Members absent: Dr. James Holland, Dr. Jerry Merwin, and Mr. Shawn Phippen

### Guest(s): Ms. Pat Rozier

Dr. Michael Black (Chair) called the University Assessment Committee (UAC) meeting to order on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 9:30 am in West Hall Room 118.

Dr. Black welcomed the 2015-16 UAC members and thanked them for their service. Dr. Black welcomed and introduced Mrs. Natalie Kuhlmann as the Dewar College of Education & Human Services' representative and Mr. Brandon Mainer, a M.Ed. student in the Higher Education Program at Georgia Southern University, who is completing his practicum requirements.

**Approval of the minutes of April 23, 2015 meeting** - The April 23, 2015 minutes were distributed. The minutes, with corrections, were approved. The motion was seconded.

## UAC service to the University

Dr. Black discussed how the UAC, as a committee, serves all areas of the institution. The UAC assists with accreditation compliance particularly with SACSCOC Standard 3.3.1 – Institutional Effectiveness. Which required each academic and administrative department to demonstrate continuous improvement.

Levels of Assessment: From the Student to the Institution (handout is available at <a href="http://www.aacu.org/sites/default/files/files/publications/LevelsOfAssessment.pdf">http://www.aacu.org/sites/default/files/files/publications/LevelsOfAssessment.pdf</a>)

### Activities since last meeting

Dr. Black informed the committee about the following activities which occurred since the committee's last formal meeting:

<u>SACSCOC 5th Year Report Committee</u> met on April 30, 2015 and was charged by President McKinney. The members have spent summer months assembling narratives and evidence.

SACSCOC Summer Institute training (July 2015) was attended by Dr. Black.

<u>Guided Pathways to Success Four-Year Recommended Programs of Study</u> developed for all undergraduate programs. This supports the "15 to Finish" initiative and Complete College Georgia.

Preparing the IER and IEP – Dr. Black held two training workshops on August 19 and September 9.

<u>BS in Exercise Physiology</u> - Obtained initial accreditation from the <u>Commission on Accreditation</u> of <u>Allied Health Education Programs</u> (CAAHEP).



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BFA in Interior Design – had the initial accreditation visit by the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) on September 12-15.

BS in Computer Science - had the initial accreditation visit by Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) on September 21-23.

Catalog Advisory Committee has been working on the new online catalog for 2015-16. The catalog will be available online soon at catalog.valdosta.edu.

# UAC Goals for 2015-16:

- SACSCOC 5<sup>th</sup> Year Report is due March 2016. Will share with UAC in January or February 2016 for review.
- UAC training for IER and IEP review.
  - A new section was added at the end of the report template.
  - Online review form for IER/IEPs is finalized. Reviewers can perform a self-review of their documents using their online form at https://goo.gl/zYig3k
  - Accessing IEPs and IERs in LiveText (handout)
  - Review schedule for IER/IEPs (documents posted in LiveText)
- Comprehensive Program Review 50 programs in this year's cohort.

#### **Announcements:**

**Digital Measures Training Classes** 

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• November 9, 2015	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
• January 25, 2016	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
• February 25, 2016	9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
• March 29, 2016	2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
• April 20, 2016	4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Assessment Institute - Indianapolis, IN - October 25-27, 2015 http://www.assessmentinstitute.iupui.edu/index.shtml

Project Innovate: http://www.valdosta.edu/academics/institutionaleffectiveness/innovate/welcome.php

## UAC Meeting Schedule for Fall 2015 – West Hall Room 118

Schedule meeting dates and times

- Thursday, Oct 29 9:00 - 10:00 am
- Thursday, Nov 19 9:00 - 10:00 am

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.