

PROVOST'S REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

APRIL 1, 2013

In response to the ECU Board of Regents' resolution asking for an academic program review, the Provost and Council of Deans have prepared a comprehensive review of ECU's academic programs. The report will be submitted to Mr. Craig Turner, Chair, on Wednesday, April 3, 2013. This report approved by the Strategic Budget Reallocation Task Force and President Doug Whitlock. When the report is submitted to the full Board, the report will be made available to the campus in its entirety.

The report answers the following questions:

1. What is ECU's Academic Program Inventory? How does Eastern's program inventory compare with other Kentucky regional comprehensives?
2. What are the enrollments and degree productivity by program?
3. Which programs have been (a) suspended within the last six years or (b) identified for suspension now or for further review?
4. Which programs currently demonstrate the greatest potential for growth or sustainability?
5. What are the criteria for evaluating program productivity?
6. What is the review of ECU's delivery methods of academic program? (e.g., e-Campus, interactive television, regional campuses)
7. What is the five-year schedule for submitting ECU's academic program reviews to the Council on Postsecondary Education?
8. How does ECU's academic administrative structure compare with other Kentucky regional comprehensives?

The report will offer recommended actions as a result of the review of academic programs and identify the potential financial impact of these recommendations.

The overall budget reallocation of Academic Affairs will be incorporated in the Strategic Budget Reallocation Task Force's report due to the Board of Regents by May 1.

A Data-Review Workgroup, chaired by Barry Poynter, was assembled to compile the data to ensure accuracy and consistency of the data mined from Banner.

Two underlying issues pertaining to program review are: (a) Do we have too many programs? (b) Are the programs under enrolled? The following tables are a brief excerpt from the data analysis.

Degrees Offered by Kentucky's Regional Comprehensive Universities					
Degrees	Institutions				
	<u>EKU</u>	<u>WKU</u>	<u>NKU</u>	<u>MoSU</u>	<u>Murray</u>
Associate	10	16	6	8	11
Baccalaureate	92	98	71	55	64
Master/Specialist	45	51	21	40	42
Doctoral	3	3	2	1	1
Total programs	150	168	100	104	118
Total Enrollment	15,000+	21,000+	15,000+	11,000+	11,000+

EKU's Smallest Undergraduate Degree Programs by Number of Majors – Fall 2012				
<i>(This complete table in the report shows 25 majors or fewer. This excerpt shows the programs with only 5 or fewer majors)</i>				
	Degree Awarded	Fall 2012 Enrollment	5 Year Average: Degrees Awarded	Department: Enrolled UG Courses
CBT	AAS in Technical Agriculture	5	6	590
CHS	AAS in Medical Laboratory Technology	5	4	313
CAS	BS in Physics Teaching	5	0	603
CAS	AAS in Science for Engineering	3	2	603
CAS	BA in French Teaching	3	1	1,302
CBT	AAS in Office Systems & Technologies	2	4	1,406
UP	Bachelor of Individualized Studies	1	1	2,533

LUNCH - Senators are invited to join me for lunch on Wednesday, April 3, 12:00-1:00, at the Fresh Food Company. Sign in at either register. We meet directly across from the Faculty Dining Room.

Respectfully,
 Janna Vice