# Department of Biology Program Review Self-Study Report

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### **Instructions**

Please use the data provided and the guiding questions to prepare your program review self-study. Please note that the data provided is not all of the data available to you and a more complete set of program review data will also be provided by the IE office. Also note that there may be a few questions that are not relevant to your academic unit and you can simply write "NA" in those text boxes where this is the case. Finally, the text boxes are intended for the reflective answers to the guiding questions and the summaries of your analyses. If there are related documents that contain data or more detailed information that will help the reviewers better understand your narratives, feel free to add these as appendices at the end. Please do not include anything in the appendices that is not necessary or referenced and discussed in the self-study itself.

**Technical Note:** For your convenience, fillable text boxes have been inserted after each question. If you have non-text items (e.g. tables, charts, etc.) you would like to insert into the document, feel free to remove and replace the textbox placeholder with your information.

## **Department Level Analysis**

## A) Introduction (context for department)

1. Name of Academic Unit, Program(s), and Center(s) that are included in this self-study: Include graduate and undergraduate, undergraduate majors, minors and concentrations, etc.

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2. This document will be read by both the PLNU Program Review Committee and external reviewers. What do these reviewers need to know about your current programs to understand their context and how they function within the department and across the university? (500 word maximum)

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3. If you believe that it will help the reviewers to understand your context, provide a brief history of what has led to your department's current structure and program offerings.

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## B) Alignment with Mission

Please answer the following questions for all student populations served by your department: residential, graduate and extended learning:

1. Briefly describe how your department contributes to the intellectual and professional development of PLNU students.

2. Review your department's mission, purpose and practice and discuss how your programs contribute to your student's spiritual formation, character development, and discernment of call.

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## C) Quality, Qualifications and Productivity of Department Faculty

Current Full-Time Faculty						
Faculty Name	Rank	Tenure	Degree	PLNU Service Years		
Anderson, Dianne	Professor	Tenured	PhD	10		
Cho, Walter	Assistant	Tenure-track	PhD	3		
Cummings, David	Professor	Tenured	PhD	11		
Dorrell, Michael	Associate	Tenure-track	PhD	6		
Elson, Robert	Associate	Tenure-track	PhD	12		
Flietstra, Rebecca	Professor	Tenured	PhD	18		
Koudelka, Kristopher	Assistant	Tenure-track	PhD	1		
Maskiewicz, April	Professor	Tenured	PhD	8		
Mooring, Michael	Professor	Tenured	PhD	18		
Page, Dawne	Professor	Tenured	PhD	13		
Department percent of full-time faculty with doct		100%				
PLNU percent of full-time faculty with doctorate (	82%					

1.	Summarize the most recent scholarly and creative activities of the faculty in this department. If desired, include
	information about peer reviewed scholarship.

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3. Describe how the scholarly and creative activities of the faculty impact the mission and quality of your department.

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4. Comment on the adequacy and availability of institutional support and outside funding for professional development and travel.

Departmen		ional Loads (FT, PT, a e and independent studies		
	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	3-yr Average
SCH per IFTE	513	521	484	505
PLNU SCH per IFTE	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
SFTE per IFTE	16.09	16.37	15.18	15.87
PLNU SFTE per IFTE	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Independent Studies Units Generated	1	0	1	0.7

**Individual Faculty Instructional Loads** 

	2012/13			2013/14			2014/15			3-Yr
Full-Time Faculty	IU	SCH	SCH/ IU	IU	SCH	SCH/ IU	IU	SCH	SCH/ IU	SCH/IU
Anderson, Dianne	13.3	200	15.0	21.8	411	18.8	21.7	318.5	14.7	16.4
Cho, Walter	20.0	405.6	20.3	25.0	517	20.7	23.0	335	14.6	18.5
Cummings, David	24.0	617.3	25.7	20.0	545	27.3	20.0	542	27.1	26.6
Dorrell, Michael	24.0	533	22.2				19.0	397	20.9	21.6
Elson, Robert	13.0	335	25.8	25.5	598	23.5	23.5	639.5	27.2	25.4
Falk, Darrel				2.0	47	23.5				23.5
Flietstra, Rebecca	31.0	785	25.3	23.0	580	25.2	27.0	567	21.0	23.9
Jansma, Ariane							7.6	122.9	16.2	16.2
Koudelka, Kristopher							19.9	291.1	14.7	14.7
Maskiewicz, April	22.5	386.4	17.2	12.0	163	13.6	21.4	429	20.0	17.5
McConnell, Michael	14.7	269	18.3	15.9	253	16.0				17.1
Mooring, Michael	20.0	517.7	25.9	24.0	636	26.5	23.0	487	21.2	24.5
Page, Dawne	13.3	211	15.9	16.4	276	16.8	14.5	235	16.2	16.3
Sawyer, Brandon				13.0	424	32.6	17.0	480	28.2	30.1

- Links to complete reports that include part-time and adjunct faculty
  - o **2014-15**
  - o <u>2013-14</u>
  - o 2012-13

Total Full-Time Faculty	195.8	4,260.0	21.8	198.6	4,450.0	22.4	237.5	4,844.0	20.4	21.4
Total Part-Time Faculty				23.5	481.0	20.5	19.0	302.0	15.9	18.4
Total Adjunct Faculty	83.0	1,696.0	20.4	47.0	910.0	19.4	28.0	595.0	21.3	20.3

IU = Instructional Units: Generated faculty workload units excluding release time

5. Compare the SCH load of each faculty member against the departmental average. What does this tell you about the distribution of faculty workload within the department? What changes, if any, might be appropriate?

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6. Does looking at the SCH and SFTE to IFTE ratios compared to PLNU averages provide any insights for your program? Explain.

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IFTE = Instructional Full-Time Equivalent: Total Instructional workload units divided by 24

SCH = Student Credit Hours: Generated student credit hours associated with the faculty member

SFTE = Student Full-Time Equivalent: Total Student Credit hours divided by 32 for undergraduates/24 for graduate students

7.	Looking at the longitudinal history of independent study units generated in this program, does this provide any insights that might be worth looking into? Explain.
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8.	What role do part time and adjunct faculty play in the quality and success of the department.
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D)	Progress on Recommendations from Previous Program Review
1.	List the findings from the previous program review and discuss how each finding has been addressed.
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2.	What additional significant changes have been made in department programs since the last program review? (e.g. introduction of new major or minor, significant reshaping of a program, etc.)
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<u> </u>	General Education and Service Classes  (s) to the Department's GE data stored on the GE assessment wheel:
	Assessment Results GELOs 2014-15
	ection on longitudinal assessment of general education student learning data: (If you don't have longitudinal data, the data that you do have)
1.	What have you learned from your general education assessment data?
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2.	What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the assessment data?
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3.	What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the assessment data?
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4.	How do the pedagogical features of your GE courses compare with the best practices for teaching GE in your
	discipline?  Click here to enter text.

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	last few years? What has your department learned from these experiments?
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6.	Are there changes that you could make that would make your part of the GE more efficient and effective (e.g. reducing the number of low-enrollment sections, resequencing of classes, reallocation of units, increase interdisciplinary efforts, etc)?
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7.	What service courses (non-GE courses that primarily support a program in another department) does your department teach? Are there changes that you could make that would make your service courses more efficient and effective?
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What new pedagogical practices have been tried in GE and service classes by members of your department in the

\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Future: find a way to include a GE committee review in this step \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# **Program Level Analysis (Bio-BA)**

## **Bachelor of Arts in Biology**

**BioBA-F1) Trend and Financial Analysis** 

First-Time Freshman Admissions Funnel								
Biology (BA)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	
Inquiries	330	421	378	562	515	264	249	
Share of PLNU inquiries	2.9%	2.8%	2.3%	3.1%	2.8%	1.2%	1.5%	
Completed Applications	75	37	18	52	43	42	41	
Share of PLNU Applications	3.6%	1.4%	0.6%	1.8%	1.5%	1.6%	1.6%	
Applicant Conversion Rate	22.7%	8.8%	4.8%	9.3%	8.3%	15.9%	16.5%	
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	18.6%	17.3%	17.0%	15.7%	16.1%	12.1%	15.0%	
Admits	65	23	11	32	26	37	35	
Share of PLNU Admits	3.6%	1.2%	0.6%	1.6%	1.2%	1.8%	1.7%	
Selection Rate	86.7%	62.2%	61.1%	61.5%	60.5%	88.1%	85.4%	
PLNU Selection Rate	87.4%	72.9%	68.9%	69.0%	70.5%	79.5%	79.8%	
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Biology (BA)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	
Inquiries	13	4	10	30	26	16	20	
Share of PLNU inquiries	1.6%	0.6%	1.1%	1.8%	1.7%	0.9%	1.0%	
Completed Applications	6	2	5	6	8	1	5	
Share of PLNU Applications	1.5%	0.5%	1.0%	1.3%	1.6%	0.1%	1.1%	
<b>Applicant Conversion Rate</b>	46.2%	sm	50.0%	20.0%	30.8%	6.3%	25.0%	
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	50.2%	55.5%	56.2%	28.4%	33.2%	36.9%	21.7%	
Admits	6	2	3	2	5	1	4	
Share of PLNU Admits	1.8%	0.9%	1.1%	0.7%	1.5%	0.2%	1.1%	
Selection Rate	100.0%	sm	60.0%	33.3%	62.5%	sm	80.0%	
PLNU Selection Rate	79.3%	57.9%	54.8%	60.5%	65.4%	64.1%	79.2%	
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1. What does this data tell you about the external demand for your program? What does this say about the future viability of your program?

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First-Time Freshman Admissions Yield														
Biology (BA)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015							
Admits	65	23	11	32	26	37	35							
Matriculants	5	2	4	4	8	7	6							
Share of PLNU Matriculants	0.9%	0.3%	0.8%	0.7%	1.2%	1.2%	1.0%							
Yield Rate	7.7%	8.7%	36.4%	12.5%	30.8%	18.9%	17.1%							
PLNU Yield Rate	29.3%	30.5%	27.7%	30.3%	31.0%	27.9%	29.9%							
	New T	ransfer Ad	missions Yi	ield										
Biology (BA)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015							
Admits	6	2	3	2	5	1	4							
Matriculants	0	1	1	1	2	1	1							
Share of PLNU Matriculants	0.0%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	1.4%	0.5%	0.6%							
Yield Rate	0.0%	sm	sm	sm	40.0%	sm	sm							
PLNU Yield Rate	51.1%	60.2%	54.7%	47.3%	44.6%	46.0%	48.0%							
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2. How does your yield rate (percentage of students who enroll at PLNU after being admitted) compare to the PLNU average? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points above the PLNU average, what factors do you believe are contributing to this positive outcome? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points below the PLNU average for more than one year, what factors do you believe are contributing to this difference?

Enrollment									
Majors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015		
Biology (BA)	26	16	16	20	21	17	19		
Share of PLNU Undergraduates	1.1%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%		
Minors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015		
Biology: Cell and Molecular Biology	4	3	3	6	2	2	4		
Biology: Environmental Biology	1	4	3	4	2	2	4		
Biology: Organismal Biology	4		3	2	4	6	2		
Minors (Total)	9	7	9	12	8	10	10		
Share of PLNU Minors	2.6%	2.0%	2.6%	3.3%	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%		
	Major Migration of Completers*								
Top Importing Programs:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total		
Biology (BS)		1	1	4		2	8		
Biology-Chemistry	1			1			2		
Pre-Nursing			2				2		
Top Export Destinations:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total		
Biology (BS)	10	6	8	1		1	26		
Business Administration	2	3					5		
Exercise Science	2	1		1	1		5		
Psychology	2	1		1			4		
* Based on degree completions of students w	no either started o	r finished within	the program and	who originally m	atriculated as firs	t-time freshmen			

3. What does this data tell you about the internal demand for your program? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Explain why or why not. Are there any actionable strategies that you can do that might make a difference if your trends are in the wrong direction?

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General Education and Service Credit Hour Production								
Department UG Total								
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15				
Total Dept UG student credit hours	5,421.0	5,880.0	5,742.0	5,648.0				
Number of GE sections taught	?	?	?	?				
% of SCH that are GE	47.0%	51.6%	52.1%	51.5%				
Share of PLNU GE SCH	7.3%	8.4%	8.3%	8.1%				
Number of service course sections taught	?	?	?	?				
% of SCH that are service	18.2%	20.5%	21.2%	21.2%				
Share of PLNU service SCH	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				

4. What does this data tell you about how your program is impacted by the needs of GE and other academic disciplines? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program if these non-programmatic trends continue? Explain why or why not.

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Delaware Study Data												
Department Total												
2010/11				2011/12	2	2012/13			2013/14			
Program Cost per SCH	Program Cost per SCH \$244		\$239		\$237		\$260					
Benchmark Percentiles	\$148	\$194	\$244	\$153	\$201	\$235	\$161	\$198	\$243	\$174	\$217	\$266
Ranking Medium-High		High		Medium			Medium					

- 5. We know that the following factors influence the Delaware cost per credit hour:
  - Large amount of GE and service classes taught by the program
  - The career stage of the program faculty (early career faculty are less expensive)
  - The number of elective courses in the program
  - The amount of unfunded load (faculty receiving more credit for a course than the number of units received by a student e.g. 4 units of faculty load for teaching a 3 unit class)
  - The amount of release time associated with the program
  - Faculty members on sabbatical
  - The size of the department budget and the cost of specialized equipment

Please reflect on your program's Delaware data in light of this information. In particular, what factors contribute to your program having a high (above 75<sup>th</sup> percentile), medium (50<sup>th</sup>-75<sup>th</sup> percentile), or low (below 50<sup>th</sup> percentile) ranking?

6. Recognizing that not all factors above are under departmental control, what kinds of adjustments might be made to reduce the cost per student credit hour?

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\*\*\*\*\* Future \*\*\*\*\*

Financial Data: (possibly delayed to the future)

Extra Revenue Generated by Program (lab fees, studio fees, etc.)

Extra Revenue per student credit hour

Extra Costs for the program (equipment not purchased outside of department budget, etc.)

Extra costs per student credit hour

Modified Delaware values: Delaware – extra revenue per SCH + extra costs per SCH

7. Do these modified Delaware values tell you anything new about the future viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Please explain.

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## **BioBA-F2) Findings from Assessment**

### Links to the department's assessment wheel

- Student Learning Outcomes
- Curriculum Maps
- Assessment Plan
- Evidence of Student Learning
- Use of the Evidence of Student Learning

### Reflection on longitudinal assessment of student learning data:

What have you learned from this program's student learning assessment data?

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2. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the student learning assessment data?

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3. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the student learning assessment data?

### **DQP Outcomes with Scores**

\*\*\*\*\* TBD \*\*\*\*\*

### **DQP Definitions**

#### Intellectual Skills

Intellectual Skills define proficiencies that transcend the boundaries of particular fields of study: analytic inquiry, use of information resources, engaging diverse perspectives, ethical reasoning, quantitative fluency, and communicative fluency.

### Specialized Knowledge

What students in any specialization should demonstrate with respect to the specialization, often called the major field. All fields call more or less explicitly for proficiencies involving terminology, theory, methods, tools, literature, complex problems or applications and cognizance of limits.

### **Applied and Collaborative Learning**

Applied learning suggests what graduates can do with what they know. This area focuses on the interaction of academic and non-academic settings and the corresponding integration of theory and practice, along with the ideal of learning with others in the course of application projects.

### Broad and Integrative Knowledge

Students integrate their broad learning by exploring, connecting and applying concepts and methods across multiple fields of study to complex questions—in the student's areas of specialization, in work or other field-based settings and in the wider society.

### Civic and Global Learning

Civic and Global Learning proficiencies rely principally on the types of cognitive activities (describing, examining, elucidating, justifying) that are within the direct purview of the university, but they also include evidence of civic activities and learning beyond collegiate settings. These proficiencies reflect the need for analytic inquiry and engagement with diverse perspectives.

### Reflection on DQP related data:

Understanding that the DQP framework provides one particular lens on the meaning, quality and integrity of your curriculum, reflect on the DQP data and framework provided for your program.

4. What have you learned from this program's DQP comparison?

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5. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the DQP comparison?

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6. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the DQP comparison?

### Links to stakeholder assessment data

(if present this will be department housed data)

- Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Market Analysis
- Etc...

### Reflection on stakeholder feedback data:

7. What have you learned from this program's stakeholder assessment data? If you do not have stakeholder data, please provide a plan for how you will regularly collect this in the future.

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8. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the stakeholder assessment data?

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9. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the stakeholder assessment data?

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## **BioBA-F3) Curriculum Analysis**

In looking at your curriculum, the program review process is asking you to analyze it through three different lenses. The first lens is looking at your content and structure from the perspective of guild standards or standards gleaned from looking at programs at comparator institutions. The second lens that of employability and is asking you to look at your curriculum and educational experiences from the perspective of skills and professional qualities that you are developing in your students that will serve them will in their future work and vocational callings. The third lens is that of pedagogy and is asking you to look at the delivery of your curriculum to ensure a high quality student learning experience.

Menu and Elective Unit Analysis							
Biology (BA)							
Number of menu and elective units required by the program	12						
Number of menu and elective units offered by the program	38						
Menu/Elective Ratio	3.17						
Longitudinal Class Section Enrollment Data							
Link to Class Section Enrollment Report							

### Comparison of current curriculum to guild standards and/or comparator institutions.

If your guild standards are associated with a specialized accreditation that your program has, these should be the basis of your analysis. If your guild standards are associated with specialized accreditation that we do not have, then you should primarily use comparator institutions as the basis for your analysis.

If your guild has standards that are not associated with specialized accreditation, then you may choose to use those standards and/or comparator institutions.

After consultation with your Dean, provide the set of guild standards or a list of the comparator institutions that you are using in your analysis.

### If using guild standards:

1. Please provide a list of the guild standards that you are using to evaluate your curriculum.

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2. Indicate if and how your curriculum satisfies the standards (this can be done in a table or narrative form). If applicable, indicate areas where your curriculum falls short of the standards.

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Based on the analysis of standard and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above, consider and discuss the following questions:

3. Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.

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4. Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.

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5. Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.

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6. Are there courses that should be added? Why or why not. Note that in general, in order to create the space to add a new course, another course will need to be eliminated or taught less frequently.

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7. What did you learn about your overall curricular structure in terms of its complexity, breadth and depth in light of the guild standards and our institutional size and scope? Are there any structural changes that need to be made in light of your analysis (e.g. sequencing of courses, % and or grouping of electives, overall units required, use of concentrations, etc...)?

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#### If using comparator institutions:

 Begin by working with your Dean to identify a list of 5-8 comparator schools to use. In selecting schools, consideration should be given to type of institution, mission of the institution and the number of students majoring in the program.

	Institution 1
	Institution 2 Institution 3
	Institution 4
	Institution 5
	Institution 6
Gatl	her the curricular requirements for the program in question at each of the comparator institutions.  Use this collection of curricular requirements to develop a list of curricular features that are essential for programs
	of this type. In addition, make note of any innovative or creative curricular feature that may be useful in enhancing the quality of you program.
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Revi	iew this list with your Dean before using it to analyze your own curriculum.  Indicate how your curriculum compares to the list of curricular features from your analysis (this can be done in a table or narrative form).
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Base	ed on the analysis of comparator programs and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above:  Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.
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5.	Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.
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6.	Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.
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7.	Are there courses that should be added? Why or why not. Note that in general, in order to create the space to add a new course, another course will need to be eliminated or taught less frequently.
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13. Are there new developments in pedagogy in your discipline? What would be required to implement these changes in pedagogy in your department?

### **BioBA-F4) Potential Impact of National Trends**

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Top Burning Glass Occupations for the Program								
Biology (BA)								
Occupation	Hiring Demand	Salary Range						
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Biologist	Medium	\$57K - \$61K						
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Quality Control Analyst	Medium	\$50K - \$54K						
Quality Manager	Medium	\$78K - \$81K						
Biochemist	Low	\$55K - \$112K						
Biomedical Engineer	Low	\$74K - \$85K						
Biostatistician	Low	\$86K - \$99K						
Environmental Compliance Specialist	Low	\$42K - \$65K						
Epidemiologist	Low	\$62K - \$68K						
Food / Agricultural Inspector	Low	\$31K - \$39K						
Microbiologist	Low	\$48K - \$92K						
Physical Science Technician	Low	\$39K - \$46K						
Research Manager	Low	\$59K - \$69K						
Wildlife Biologist	Low	\$48K - \$54K						

Note that some programs do not have as many professions listed in the Burning Glass data as others do. In these cases we will want to get a list of professions from the chair/school dean to supplement the Burning Glass data.

1. Which professions in the Burning Glass data were you already aware of and for which are you already intentionally preparing students and does the hiring demand in these professions signal anything about the future that you need to be aware of regarding the design and structure of your program?

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2. Are there additional professions in the Burning Glass list or from your knowledge of occupations your alumni have entered, for which you should be preparing students?

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3. What changes in your program would be necessary in order to prepare students for the skills and professional qualities needed to succeed in these additional professions?

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4. Are there national trends in higher education or industry that are particularly important to your discipline? If yes, how is your program reacting to those trends?

### **BioBA-F5) Quality Markers**

Re	tention/Gra	aduation Ra	ites (First-T	ime Freshn	nen)			
		Matriculation Term						
Biology (BA)	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	
First-Year Retention	75.0%	sm	sm	83.3%	sm	sm	sm	
PLNU First-Year Retention	84.2%	84.1%	81.1%	82.9%	89.3%	84.5%	84.5%	
			Mat	triculation To	erm			
Biology (BA)	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	
Four-Year Graduation Rate	33.3%	25.0%	sm	42.9%	44.4%	sm	42.9%	
PLNU Four-Year Graduation Rate	62.0%	65.2%	61.7%	59.1%	63.4%	62.2%	63.2%	
			Mat	triculation To	erm			
Biology (BA)	Fall 2003	Fall 2004	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	
Six-Year Graduation Rate	83.3%	66.7%	50.0%	37.5%	60.0%	71.4%	66.7%	
PLNU Six-Year Graduation Rate	72.4%	73.2%	73.0%	74.9%	72.2%	73.6%	75.0%	
		Degree Co	mpletions					
Majors	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	
Biology (BA)	8	6	2	4	8	3	2	
Share of PLNU Bachelor's Degrees	1.3%	1.1%	0.4%	0.7%	1.4%	0.5%	0.4%	
Minors	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	
Biology: Cell and Molecular Biology		2	3		1	1	1	
Biology: Environmental Biology		1		2		1		
Biology: Organismal Biology	1	3			2			
Total Minors	1	6	3	2	3	2	1	
Share of PLNU (completion) Minors	1.2%	7.2%	3.7%	2.6%	3.5%	2.3%	1.1%	
FTF Time to Degree (in semesters)	sm	sm	sm	sm	8.9	sm	sm	
PLNU FTF Time to Degree	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	
Study Abroad Participants	2	1			1			
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1. Based on comparing the quality marker data for your program with the PLNU averages:

a.	What does this tell	you about your	program?
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b. If your values are below the PLNU averages, what changes could you make to address any areas of concern?

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c. If your values are above the PLNU averages, what do you believe contributes to this success?

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2. Describe regular opportunities for students to apply their knowledge (internships, practicums, research projects, senior projects, etc.). Estimate what percentage of your students in this program participates in these kinds of opportunities.

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How many of your students participate in study abroad opportunities in general? Describe any study abroad opportunities specifically organized by your program. What percentage of your majors are involved annually (annualize the number)? How many students outside of your department participate in this departmentally organized program (Annualize the number)?
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What are any other distinctives of your program? Describe how they contribute to the program's success.  Click here to enter text.
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Does your program have an advisory board? If so, describe how it has influenced the quality of your program? not, could it benefit from creating one?
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Describe any current joint interdisciplinary degrees (majors or minors) offered by your department. Are there additional areas where interdisciplinary programs should be considered?  Click here to enter text.
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intentionally facilitate these students' connection with institutional support services?

## **BioBA-F6) Infrastructure and Staffing**

Full-Time Faculty Program Contribution								
Department UG Total								
2012-13 2013-14 2014-15								
Percentage of UG classes taught by FT faculty	71.9%	72.2%	83.9%					
PLNU percentage of UG classes taught by FT Faculty	TBD	TBD	TBD					
Includes: regular lectures, labs, seminars								
Excludes: independent studies, private lessons, internships								

1. Are your program's current technological resources and support adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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2. Are your program's current facilities adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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3. Is your program's current staffing (administrative, clerical, technical and instructional) adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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## **BioBA-F7) Challenges and Opportunities**

1. Are there any particular challenges regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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2. Are there any particular opportunities regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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## **BioBA-F8) Recommendations for Program Improvement**

List the recommendations you are making regarding this program analysis with a brief rationale for each recommendation.

# **Program Level Analysis (Bio-BS)**

## **Bachelor of Science in Biology**

## **BioBS-F1) Trend and Financial Analysis**

	First-Time Freshman Admissions Funnel									
Biology (BS)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015			
Inquiries	126	339	392	408	625	697	741			
Share of PLNU inquiries	1.1%	2.2%	2.4%	2.2%	3.4%	3.2%	4.4%			
Completed Applications	70	132	180	189	195	154	186			
Share of PLNU Applications	3.4%	5.0%	6.4%	6.6%	6.6%	5.8%	7.4%			
<b>Applicant Conversion Rate</b>	55.6%	38.9%	45.9%	46.3%	31.2%	22.1%	25.1%			
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	18.6%	17.3%	17.0%	15.7%	16.1%	12.1%	15.0%			
Admits	69	108	138	146	131	138	161			
Share of PLNU Admits	3.8%	5.6%	7.2%	7.4%	6.3%	6.5%	8.0%			
Selection Rate	98.6%	81.8%	76.7%	77.2%	67.2%	89.6%	86.6%			
PLNU Selection Rate	87.4%	72.9%	68.9%	69.0%	70.5%	79.5%	79.8%			
	New Tr	ansfer Adn	nissions Fu	nnel						
Biology (BS)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015			
Inquiries	18	15	30	24	40	70	50			
Share of PLNU inquiries	2.2%	2.1%	3.4%	1.5%	2.7%	3.8%	2.4%			
Completed Applications	12	8	20	12	19	26	15			
Share of PLNU Applications	2.9%	2.0%	4.0%	2.6%	3.8%	3.9%	3.3%			
Applicant Conversion Rate	66.7%	53.3%	66.7%	50.0%	47.5%	37.1%	30.0%			
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	50.2%	55.5%	56.2%	28.4%	33.2%	36.9%	21.7%			
Admits	11	4	13	6	11	20	15			
Share of PLNU Admits	3.4%	1.7%	4.7%	2.1%	3.4%	4.7%	4.2%			
Selection Rate	91.7%	50.0%	65.0%	50.0%	57.9%	76.9%	100.0%			
PLNU Selection Rate	79.3%	57.9%	54.8%	60.5%	65.4%	64.1%	79.2%			

1. What does this data tell you about the external demand for your program? What does this say about the future viability of your program?

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First-Time Freshman Admissions Yield										
Biology (BS)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015			
Admits	69	108	138	146	131	138	161			
Matriculants	29	26	35	46	43	27	54			
Share of PLNU Matriculants	5.4%	4.4%	6.6%	7.7%	6.6%	4.6%	9.0%			
Yield Rate	42.0%	24.1%	25.4%	31.5%	32.8%	19.6%	33.5%			
PLNU Yield Rate	29.3%	30.5%	27.7%	30.3%	31.0%	27.9%	29.9%			
	New T	ransfer Ad	missions Yi	ield						
Biology (BS)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015			
Admits	11	4	13	6	11	20	15			
Matriculants	5	2	5	1	6	7	9			
Share of PLNU Matriculants	3.0%	1.4%	3.3%	0.7%	4.2%	3.5%	5.2%			
Yield Rate	45.5%	sm	38.5%	16.7%	54.5%	35.0%	60.0%			
PLNU Yield Rate	51.1%	60.2%	54.7%	47.3%	44.6%	46.0%	48.0%			
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2. How does your yield rate (percentage of students who enroll at PLNU after being admitted) compare to the PLNU average? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points above the PLNU average, what factors do you believe are contributing to this positive outcome? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points below the PLNU average for more than one year, what factors do you believe are contributing to this difference?

Enrollment									
Majors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015		
Biology (BS)	89	102	123	131	145	120	154		
Share of PLNU Undergraduates	3.7%	4.2%	5.2%	5.4%	5.7%	4.7%	5.8%		
Minors (duplicated from Bio-BA)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015		
Biology: Cell and Molecular Biology	4	3	3	6	2	2	4		
Biology: Environmental Biology	1	4	3	4	2	2	4		
Biology: Organismal Biology	4		3	2	4	6	2		
Minors (Total)	9	7	9	12	8	10	10		
Share of PLNU Minors	2.6%	2.0%	2.6%	3.3%	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%		
	Majo	or Migration	n of Comple	eters*					
Top Importing Programs:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total		
Biology-Chemistry	5	7	3	6	10	8	39		
Biology (BA)	10	6	8	1		1	26		
Undeclared	1	_		_	1		2		
Top Export Destinations:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total		
Biology (BA)		1	1	4		2	8		
Exercise Science				3	2	1	6		
Biology-Chemistry			1		1	2	4		
Psychology				3		1	4		
Applied Health Science					1	1	2		
* Based on degree completions of students who	o either started o	r finished within	the program and	who originally m	atriculated as firs	t-time freshmen			

3. What does this data tell you about the internal demand for your program? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Explain why or why not. Are there any actionable strategies that you can do that might make a difference if your trends are in the wrong direction?

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General Education and Service Credit Hour Production									
Department UG Total									
2011/12 2012/13 2013/14 2014/15									
Total Dept UG student credit hours	5,421.0	5,880.0	5,742.0	5,648.0					
Number of GE sections taught	?	?	?	?					
% of SCH that are GE	47.0%	51.6%	52.1%	51.5%					
Share of PLNU GE SCH	7.3%	8.4%	8.3%	8.1%					
Number of service course sections taught	?	?	?	?					
% of SCH that are service	18.2%	20.5%	21.2%	21.2%					
Share of PLNU service SCH	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD					

4. What does this data tell you about how your program is impacted by the needs of GE and other academic disciplines? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program if these non-programmatic trends continue? Explain why or why not.

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Delaware Study Data												
Department Total												
2010/11			L	2011/12		2012/13			2013/14			
Program Cost per SCH		\$244		\$239		\$237			\$260			
Benchmark Percentiles	\$148	\$194	\$244	\$153	\$201	\$235	\$161	\$198	\$243	\$174	\$217	\$266
Ranking		Medium-High		High		Medium			Medium			

- 5. We know that the following factors influence the Delaware cost per credit hour:
  - Large amount of GE and service classes taught by the program
  - The career stage of the program faculty (early career faculty are less expensive)
  - The number of elective courses in the program
  - The amount of unfunded load (faculty receiving more credit for a course than the number of units received by a student e.g. 4 units of faculty load for teaching a 3 unit class)
  - The amount of release time associated with the program
  - Faculty members on sabbatical
  - The size of the department budget and the cost of specialized equipment

Please reflect on your program's Delaware data in light of this information. In particular, what factors contribute to your program having a high (above 75<sup>th</sup> percentile), medium (50<sup>th</sup>-75<sup>th</sup> percentile), or low (below 50<sup>th</sup> percentile) ranking?

6. Recognizing that not all factors above are under departmental control, what kinds of adjustments might be made to reduce the cost per student credit hour?

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\*\*\*\*\* Future \*\*\*\*\*

Financial Data: (possibly delayed to the future)

Extra Revenue Generated by Program (lab fees, studio fees, etc.)

Extra Revenue per student credit hour

Extra Costs for the program (equipment not purchased outside of department budget, etc.)

Extra costs per student credit hour

Modified Delaware values: Delaware – extra revenue per SCH + extra costs per SCH

7. Do these modified Delaware values tell you anything new about the future viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Please explain.

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## **BioBS-F2) Findings from Assessment**

### Links to the department's assessment wheel

- Student Learning Outcomes
- Curriculum Maps
- Assessment Plan
- Evidence of Student Learning
- Use of the Evidence of Student Learning

### Reflection on longitudinal assessment of student learning data:

What have you learned from this program's student learning assessment data?

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2. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the student learning assessment data?

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3. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the student learning assessment data?

### **DQP Outcomes with Scores**

\*\*\*\*\* TBD \*\*\*\*\*

### **DQP Definitions**

#### Intellectual Skills

Intellectual Skills define proficiencies that transcend the boundaries of particular fields of study: analytic inquiry, use of information resources, engaging diverse perspectives, ethical reasoning, quantitative fluency, and communicative fluency.

### Specialized Knowledge

What students in any specialization should demonstrate with respect to the specialization, often called the major field. All fields call more or less explicitly for proficiencies involving terminology, theory, methods, tools, literature, complex problems or applications and cognizance of limits.

### **Applied and Collaborative Learning**

Applied learning suggests what graduates can do with what they know. This area focuses on the interaction of academic and non-academic settings and the corresponding integration of theory and practice, along with the ideal of learning with others in the course of application projects.

### Broad and Integrative Knowledge

Students integrate their broad learning by exploring, connecting and applying concepts and methods across multiple fields of study to complex questions—in the student's areas of specialization, in work or other field-based settings and in the wider society.

### Civic and Global Learning

Civic and Global Learning proficiencies rely principally on the types of cognitive activities (describing, examining, elucidating, justifying) that are within the direct purview of the university, but they also include evidence of civic activities and learning beyond collegiate settings. These proficiencies reflect the need for analytic inquiry and engagement with diverse perspectives.

### Reflection on DQP related data:

Understanding that the DQP framework provides one particular lens on the meaning, quality and integrity of your curriculum, reflect on the DQP data and framework provided for your program.

4. What have you learned from this program's DQP comparison?

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5. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the DQP comparison?

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6. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the DQP comparison?

### Links to stakeholder assessment data

(if present this will be department housed data)

- Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Market Analysis
- Etc...

### Reflection on stakeholder feedback data:

7. What have you learned from this program's stakeholder assessment data? If you do not have stakeholder data, please provide a plan for how you will regularly collect this in the future.

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8. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the stakeholder assessment data?

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9. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the stakeholder assessment data?

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## **BioBS-F3) Curriculum Analysis**

In looking at your curriculum, the program review process is asking you to analyze it through three different lenses. The first lens is looking at your content and structure from the perspective of guild standards or standards gleaned from looking at programs at comparator institutions. The second lens that of employability and is asking you to look at your curriculum and educational experiences from the perspective of skills and professional qualities that you are developing in your students that will serve them will in their future work and vocational callings. The third lens is that of pedagogy and is asking you to look at the delivery of your curriculum to ensure a high quality student learning experience.

Menu and Elective Unit Analysis						
Biology (BS)						
Number of menu and elective units required by the program	14					
Number of menu and elective units offered by the program						
Menu/Elective Ratio	2.71					
Longitudinal Class Section Enrollment Data						
Link to Class Section Enrollment Report						

### Comparison of current curriculum to guild standards and/or comparator institutions.

If your guild standards are associated with a specialized accreditation that your program has, these should be the basis of your analysis. If your guild standards are associated with specialized accreditation that we do not have, then you should primarily use comparator institutions as the basis for your analysis.

If your guild has standards that are not associated with specialized accreditation, then you may choose to use those standards and/or comparator institutions.

After consultation with your Dean, provide the set of guild standards or a list of the comparator institutions that you are using in your analysis.

### If using guild standards:

1. Please provide a list of the guild standards that you are using to evaluate your curriculum.

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2. Indicate if and how your curriculum satisfies the standards (this can be done in a table or narrative form). If applicable, indicate areas where your curriculum falls short of the standards.

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Based on the analysis of standard and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above, consider and discuss the following questions:

3. Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.

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4. Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.

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5. Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.

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#### If using comparator institutions:

 Begin by working with your Dean to identify a list of 5-8 comparator schools to use. In selecting schools, consideration should be given to type of institution, mission of the institution and the number of students majoring in the program.

	Institution 1
	Institution 2 Institution 3
	Institution 4
	Institution 5
	Institution 6
Gatl	her the curricular requirements for the program in question at each of the comparator institutions.  Use this collection of curricular requirements to develop a list of curricular features that are essential for programs
	of this type. In addition, make note of any innovative or creative curricular feature that may be useful in enhancing the quality of you program.
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Revi	iew this list with your Dean before using it to analyze your own curriculum.  Indicate how your curriculum compares to the list of curricular features from your analysis (this can be done in a table or narrative form).
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Base	ed on the analysis of comparator programs and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above:  Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.
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13. Are there new developments in pedagogy in your discipline? What would be required to implement these changes in pedagogy in your department?

## **BioBS-F4) Potential Impact of National Trends**

Top Burning Glass Occupations for the Program							
Biology (BS)							
Occupation	Hiring Demand	Salary Range					
Medical Scientist	High	\$53K - \$107K					
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Biologist	Medium	\$57K - \$61K					
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Quality Manager	Medium	\$78K - \$81K					
Biochemist	Low	\$55K - \$112K					
Biomedical Engineer	Low	\$74K - \$85K					
Biostatistician	Low	\$86K - \$99K					
Environmental Compliance Specialist	Low	\$42K - \$65K					
Epidemiologist	Low	\$62K - \$68K					
Food / Agricultural Inspector	Low	\$31K - \$39K					
Microbiologist	Low	\$48K - \$92K					
Physical Science Technician	Low	\$39K - \$46K					
Research Manager	Low	\$59K - \$69K					
Wildlife Biologist	Low	\$48K - \$54K					

Note that some programs do not have as many professions listed in the Burning Glass data as others do. In these cases we will want to get a list of professions from the chair/school dean to supplement the Burning Glass data.

1. Which professions in the Burning Glass data were you already aware of and for which are you already intentionally preparing students and does the hiring demand in these professions signal anything about the future that you need to be aware of regarding the design and structure of your program?

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2. Are there additional professions in the Burning Glass list or from your knowledge of occupations your alumni have entered, for which you should be preparing students?

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3. What changes in your program would be necessary in order to prepare students for the skills and professional qualities needed to succeed in these additional professions?

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4. Are there national trends in higher education or industry that are particularly important to your discipline? If yes, how is your program reacting to those trends?

### **BioBS-F5) Quality Markers**

Retention/Graduation Rates (First-Time Freshmen)									
	,	Matriculation Term							
Biology (BS)	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014		
First-Year Retention	89.5%	86.7%	84.4%	83.3%	92.1%	79.4%	85.0%		
PLNU First-Year Retention	84.2%	84.1%	81.1%	82.9%	89.3%	84.5%	84.5%		
			Mat	triculation To	erm				
Biology (BS)	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011		
Four-Year Graduation Rate	57.1%	88.9%	75.0%	78.9%	65.5%	80.6%	56.3%		
PLNU Four-Year Graduation Rate	62.0%	65.2%	61.7%	59.1%	63.4%	62.2%	63.2%		
			Mat	triculation To	ulation Term				
Biology (BS)	Fall 2003	Fall 2004	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009		
Six-Year Graduation Rate	90.0%	100.0%	84.6%	100.0%	92.9%	84.2%	72.4%		
PLNU Six-Year Graduation Rate	72.4%	73.2%	73.0%	74.9%	72.2%	73.6%	75.0%		
		Degree Co	ompletions						
Majors	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15		
Biology (BS)	16	21	20	24	20	33	25		
Share of PLNU Bachelor's Degrees	2.7%	4.0%	3.7%	4.4%	3.5%	5.6%	4.6%		
Minors (duplicated from Bio-BA)	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15		
Biology: Cell and Molecular Biology		2	3		1	1	1		
Biology: Environmental Biology		1		2		1			
Biology: Organismal Biology	1	3			2				
Total Minors	1	6	3	2	3	2	1		
Share of PLNU (completion) Minors	1.2%	7.2%	3.7%	2.6%	3.5%	2.3%	1.1%		
FTF Time to Degree (in semesters)	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.1	8.0	8.1	7.9		
PLNU FTF Time to Degree	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3		
Study Abroad Participants	2	2	5	1	1	3	2		

1. Based on comparing the quality marker data for your program with the PLNU averages:

<ul> <li>a. What does this tell you about your program</li> </ul>	a.	What o	does this	tell	vou a	bout י	vour	program
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b. If your values are below the PLNU averages, what changes could you make to address any areas of concern?

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c. If your values are above the PLNU averages, what do you believe contributes to this success?

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 Describe regular opportunities for students to apply their knowledge (internships, practicums, research projects, senior projects, etc.). Estimate what percentage of your students in this program participates in these kinds of opportunities.

3.	Describe any public scholarship of your undergraduate and graduate students in this program (conference presentations, publications, performances, etc.). What percentage of your undergraduate students are involved in these kinds of activities?
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4.	How many of your students participate in study abroad opportunities in general? Describe any study abroad opportunities specifically organized by your program. What percentage of your majors are involved annually (annualize the number)? How many students outside of your department participate in this departmentally organized program (Annualize the number)?
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5.	What are any other distinctives of your program? Describe how they contribute to the program's success.  Click here to enter text.
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6.	Does your program have an advisory board? If so, describe how it has influenced the quality of your program? If not, could it benefit from creating one?
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7.	Describe any current joint interdisciplinary degrees (majors or minors) offered by your department. Are there additional areas where interdisciplinary programs should be considered?
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8.	Describe your success with students acquiring jobs related to their discipline.
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9.	Describe your undergraduate and graduate student success rate for passing licensure or credentialing exams (if they exist in your discipline).
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10.	Describe your success with undergraduate student acceptance into post-baccalaureate education.  Click here to enter text.
11.	What kind of support does your program provide for students encountering academic difficulties? How do you intentionally facilitate these students' connection with institutional support services?  Click here to enter text.

## **BioBS-F6) Infrastructure and Staffing**

Full-Time Faculty Program Contribution										
Department UG Total										
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15							
Percentage of UG classes taught by FT faculty	71.9%	72.2%	83.9%							
PLNU percentage of UG classes taught by FT Faculty	TBD	TBD	TBD							
Includes: regular lectures, labs, seminars Excludes: independent studies, private lessons, internships										

1.	Are your program's current technological resources and support adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee
	any additional needs in this area?

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2.	Are your program's current facilities adequate?	If not, what is needed?	Do you foresee any	additional needs in this
	area?			

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3. Is your program's current staffing (administrative, clerical, technical and instructional) adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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## **BioBS-F7) Challenges and Opportunities**

1. Are there any particular challenges regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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2. Are there any particular opportunities regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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## **BioBS-F8) Recommendations for Program Improvement**

List the recommendations you are making regarding this program analysis with a brief rationale for each recommendation.

# **Program Level Analysis (Bio-Chem)**

## **Bachelor of Science in Biology-Chemistry**

## **BCHM-F1) Trend and Financial Analysis**

First-Time Freshman Admissions Funnel										
Biology-Chemistry	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015			
Inquiries	370	651	771	987	848	1,097	674			
Share of PLNU inquiries	3.3%	4.3%	4.7%	5.4%	4.6%	5.0%	4.0%			
Completed Applications	65	85	106	112	96	85	75			
Share of PLNU Applications	3.1%	3.2%	3.8%	3.9%	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%			
<b>Applicant Conversion Rate</b>	17.6%	13.1%	13.7%	11.3%	11.3%	7.7%	11.1%			
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	18.6%	17.3%	17.0%	15.7%	16.1%	12.1%	15.0%			
Admits	61	74	89	80	75	77	69			
Share of PLNU Admits	3.3%	3.8%	4.6%	4.0%	3.6%	3.6%	3.4%			
Selection Rate	93.8%	87.1%	84.0%	71.4%	78.1%	90.6%	92.0%			
PLNU Selection Rate	87.4%	72.9%	68.9%	69.0%	70.5%	79.5%	79.8%			
	New Tr	ansfer Adn	nissions Fu	nnel						
Biology-Chemistry	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015			
Inquiries	12	12	20	16	20	41	29			
Share of PLNU inquiries	1.5%	1.7%	2.2%	1.0%	1.3%	2.3%	1.4%			
Completed Applications	7	8	13	5	14	15	7			
Share of PLNU Applications	1.7%	2.0%	2.6%	1.1%	2.8%	2.2%	1.5%			
<b>Applicant Conversion Rate</b>	58.3%	66.7%	65.0%	31.3%	70.0%	36.6%	24.1%			
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	50.2%	55.5%	56.2%	28.4%	33.2%	36.9%	21.7%			
Admits	7	5	11	3	9	14	4			
Share of PLNU Admits	2.2%	2.2%	4.0%	1.1%	2.8%	3.3%	1.1%			
Selection Rate	100.0%	62.5%	84.6%	60.0%	64.3%	93.3%	57.1%			
PLNU Selection Rate	79.3%	57.9%	54.8%	60.5%	65.4%	64.1%	79.2%			

1. What does this data tell you about the external demand for your program? What does this say about the future viability of your program?

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First-Time Freshman Admissions Yield												
Biology-Chemistry	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015					
Admits	61	74	89	80	75	77	69					
Matriculants	20	29	38	23	20	25	22					
Share of PLNU Matriculants	3.7%	4.9%	7.1%	3.8%	3.1%	4.3%	3.7%					
Yield Rate	32.8%	39.2%	42.7%	28.8%	26.7%	32.5%	31.9%					
PLNU Yield Rate	29.3%	30.5%	27.7%	30.3%	31.0%	27.9%	29.9%					
New Transfer Admissions Yield												
Biology-Chemistry	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015					
Admits	7	5	11	3	9	14	4					
Matriculants	4	3	7	0	3	7	3					
Share of PLNU Matriculants	2.4%	2.2%	4.7%	0.0%	2.1%	3.5%	1.7%					
Yield Rate	57.1%	60.0%	63.6%	sm	33.3%	50.0%	sm					
PLNU Yield Rate	51.1%	60.2%	54.7%	47.3%	44.6%	46.0%	48.0%					
sm = cell sizes too small												

2. How does your yield rate (percentage of students who enroll at PLNU after being admitted) compare to the PLNU average? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points above the PLNU average, what factors do you believe are contributing to this positive outcome? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points below the PLNU average for more than one year, what factors do you believe are contributing to this difference?

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Enrollment												
Majors Fall 2009 Fall 2010 Fall 2011 Fall 2012 Fall 2013 Fall 2014												
Biology-Chemistry	59	69	87	85	89	89	87					
Share of PLNU Undergraduates	2.5%	2.9%	3.7%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.3%					
Minors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015					
No minors for this program												
Major Migration of Completers*												
Top Importing Programs:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total					
Undeclared			1	1	1	2	5					
Biology (BS)			1		1	2	4					
Business Administration	1		1		1		3					
Biology (BA)			1	1			2					
Pre-Nursing	1					1	2					
Top Export Destinations:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total					
Biology (BS)	5	7	3	6	10	8	39					
Exercise Science		2	2	2		2	8					
Applied Health Science					2	3	5					
Business Administration	2				3		5					
Nursing				2	1	1	4					
* Based on degree completions of students wh	no either started o	r finished within	the program and	who originally m	atriculated as firs	t-time freshmen	•					

3. What does this data tell you about the internal demand for your program? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Explain why or why not. Are there any actionable strategies that you can do that might make a difference if your trends are in the wrong direction?

General Education and Service Credit Hour Production Department UG Total							
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15			
Total Dept UG student credit hours	5,421.0	5,880.0	5,742.0	5,648.0			
Number of GE sections taught	?	?	?	Ş			
% of SCH that are GE	47.0%	51.6%	52.1%	51.5%			
Share of PLNU GE SCH	7.3%	8.4%	8.3%	8.1%			
Number of service course sections taught	?	?	?	?			
% of SCH that are service	18.2%	20.5%	21.2%	21.2%			
Share of PLNU service SCH	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD			

4. What does this data tell you about how your program is impacted by the needs of GE and other academic disciplines? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program if these non-programmatic trends continue? Explain why or why not.

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Delaware Study Data  Department Total												
	2	2010/11	L	2	2011/12	2	2	2012/13	3	2	2013/14	Ţ
Program Cost per SCH	\$244		\$239		\$237			\$260				
Benchmark Percentiles	\$148	\$194	\$244	\$153	\$201	\$235	\$161	\$198	\$243	\$174	\$217	\$266
Ranking	Me	dium-H	igh		High		1	Medium	ļ	ľ	Medium	l

- 5. We know that the following factors influence the Delaware cost per credit hour:
  - Large amount of GE and service classes taught by the program
  - The career stage of the program faculty (early career faculty are less expensive)
  - The number of elective courses in the program
  - The amount of unfunded load (faculty receiving more credit for a course than the number of units received by a student e.g. 4 units of faculty load for teaching a 3 unit class)
  - The amount of release time associated with the program
  - Faculty members on sabbatical
  - The size of the department budget and the cost of specialized equipment

Please reflect on your program's Delaware data in light of this information. In particular, what factors contribute to your program having a high (above 75<sup>th</sup> percentile), medium (50<sup>th</sup>-75<sup>th</sup> percentile), or low (below 50<sup>th</sup> percentile) ranking?

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6. Recognizing that not all factors above are under departmental control, what kinds of adjustments might be made to reduce the cost per student credit hour?

\*\*\*\*\* Future \*\*\*\*\*

Financial Data: (possibly delayed to the future)

Extra Revenue Generated by Program (lab fees, studio fees, etc.)

Extra Revenue per student credit hour

Extra Costs for the program (equipment not purchased outside of department budget, etc.)

Extra costs per student credit hour

Modified Delaware values: Delaware – extra revenue per SCH + extra costs per SCH

7. Do these modified Delaware values tell you anything new about the future viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Please explain.

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### **BCHM-F2) Findings from Assessment**

#### Links to the department's assessment wheel

- Student Learning Outcomes
- Curriculum Maps
- Assessment Plan
- Evidence of Student Learning
- Use of the Evidence of Student Learning

#### Reflection on longitudinal assessment of student learning data:

1. What have you learned from this program's student learning assessment data?

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2. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the student learning assessment data?

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3. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the student learning assessment data?

#### **DQP Outcomes with Scores**

\*\*\*\*\* TBD \*\*\*\*\*

#### **DQP Definitions**

#### Intellectual Skills

Intellectual Skills define proficiencies that transcend the boundaries of particular fields of study: analytic inquiry, use of information resources, engaging diverse perspectives, ethical reasoning, quantitative fluency, and communicative fluency.

#### Specialized Knowledge

What students in any specialization should demonstrate with respect to the specialization, often called the major field. All fields call more or less explicitly for proficiencies involving terminology, theory, methods, tools, literature, complex problems or applications and cognizance of limits.

#### **Applied and Collaborative Learning**

Applied learning suggests what graduates can do with what they know. This area focuses on the interaction of academic and non-academic settings and the corresponding integration of theory and practice, along with the ideal of learning with others in the course of application projects.

#### Broad and Integrative Knowledge

Students integrate their broad learning by exploring, connecting and applying concepts and methods across multiple fields of study to complex questions—in the student's areas of specialization, in work or other field-based settings and in the wider society.

#### Civic and Global Learning

Civic and Global Learning proficiencies rely principally on the types of cognitive activities (describing, examining, elucidating, justifying) that are within the direct purview of the university, but they also include evidence of civic activities and learning beyond collegiate settings. These proficiencies reflect the need for analytic inquiry and engagement with diverse perspectives.

#### Reflection on DQP related data:

Understanding that the DQP framework provides one particular lens on the meaning, quality and integrity of your curriculum, reflect on the DQP data and framework provided for your program.

4. What have you learned from this program's DQP comparison?

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5. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the DQP comparison?

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6. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the DQP comparison?

#### Links to stakeholder assessment data

(if present this will be department housed data)

- Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Market Analysis
- Etc...

#### Reflection on stakeholder feedback data:

7. What have you learned from this program's stakeholder assessment data? If you do not have stakeholder data, please provide a plan for how you will regularly collect this in the future.

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8. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the stakeholder assessment data?

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9. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the stakeholder assessment data?

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### **BCHM-F3) Curriculum Analysis**

In looking at your curriculum, the program review process is asking you to analyze it through three different lenses. The first lens is looking at your content and structure from the perspective of guild standards or standards gleaned from looking at programs at comparator institutions. The second lens that of employability and is asking you to look at your curriculum and educational experiences from the perspective of skills and professional qualities that you are developing in your students that will serve them will in their future work and vocational callings. The third lens is that of pedagogy and is asking you to look at the delivery of your curriculum to ensure a high quality student learning experience.

Menu and Elective Unit Analysis	
Biology-Chemistry	
Number of menu and elective units required by the program	6
Number of menu and elective units offered by the program	15
Menu/Elective Ratio	2.50
Longitudinal Class Section Enrollment Data	
Link to Class Section Enrollment Report	_

#### Comparison of current curriculum to guild standards and/or comparator institutions.

If your guild standards are associated with a specialized accreditation that your program has, these should be the basis of your analysis. If your guild standards are associated with specialized accreditation that we do not have, then you should primarily use comparator institutions as the basis for your analysis.

If your guild has standards that are not associated with specialized accreditation, then you may choose to use those standards and/or comparator institutions.

After consultation with your Dean, provide the set of guild standards or a list of the comparator institutions that you are using in your analysis.

#### If using guild standards:

1. Please provide a list of the guild standards that you are using to evaluate your curriculum.

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2. Indicate if and how your curriculum satisfies the standards (this can be done in a table or narrative form). If applicable, indicate areas where your curriculum falls short of the standards.

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Based on the analysis of standard and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above, consider and discuss the following questions:

3. Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.

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4. Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.

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5. Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.

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6. Are there courses that should be added? Why or why not. Note that in general, in order to create the space to add a new course, another course will need to be eliminated or taught less frequently.

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7. What did you learn about your overall curricular structure in terms of its complexity, breadth and depth in light of the guild standards and our institutional size and scope? Are there any structural changes that need to be made in light of your analysis (e.g. sequencing of courses, % and or grouping of electives, overall units required, use of concentrations, etc...)?

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#### If using comparator institutions:

 Begin by working with your Dean to identify a list of 5-8 comparator schools to use. In selecting schools, consideration should be given to type of institution, mission of the institution and the number of students majoring in the program.

	Institution 1
	Institution 2
	Institution 3
	Institution 4
	Institution 5
	Institution 6
Gatl 2.	ner the curricular requirements for the program in question at each of the comparator institutions.  Use this collection of curricular requirements to develop a list of curricular features that are essential for programs of this type. In addition, make note of any innovative or creative curricular feature that may be useful in enhancing
	the quality of you program.
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Revi	ew this list with your Dean before using it to analyze your own curriculum.  Indicate how your curriculum compares to the list of curricular features from your analysis (this can be done in a table or narrative form).
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Base 4.	ed on the analysis of comparator programs and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above:  Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.  Click here to enter text.
5.	Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.  Click here to enter text.
6.	Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.  Click here to enter text.
7.	Are there courses that should be added? Why or why not. Note that in general, in order to create the space to add a new course, another course will need to be eliminated or taught less frequently.  Click here to enter text.

8. What did you learn about your overall curricular structure in terms of its complexity, breadth and depth in light of the comparator schools and our institutional size and scope? Are there any structural changes that need to be made in light of your analysis (e.g. sequencing of courses, % and or grouping of electives, overall units required, use of concentrations, etc...)?

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Burning Glass Skills Data					
	Biology-Chemistry				
1. Communication Skills	5. Quality Assurance and Control	9. Planning			
2. Writing	6. Problem Solving	10. Management			
3. Research	7. Leadership	11. Project Management			
4. Organizational Skills	8. Detail-Oriented	12. Supervisory Skills			

#### Analysis of the curriculum against preparation for employment

9. The Burning Glass data provides a list of skills for students entering common professions that are often linked to your major. Indicate in the table if and where each skill is being taught in your program. Based on reflecting on this data, are there changes you would recommend making to your curriculum?

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10. Some programs may serve to prepare students with professional qualities and skills that can serve them well in a great variety of professions that may not show up in data sets like Burning Glass. If this is indicative of your program, please identify the unique skills and/or professional qualities that your program develops in your students and indicate where in the curriculum this is being taught or developed.

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#### Analysis of the teaching of your curriculum

11. How do the pedagogical features of your program compare with the best practices for teaching in your discipline?

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12. What new pedagogical practices have been tried by members of your department in the last few years? What has your department learned from these experiments?

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13. Are there new developments in pedagogy in your discipline? What would be required to implement these changes in pedagogy in your department?

## **BCHM-F4) Potential Impact of National Trends**

Top Burning Glass Occupations for the Program Biology-Chemistry						
Occupation	Hiring Demand	Salary Range				
Chemist	Medium	\$64K - \$68K				
Clinical Research Coordinator	Medium	\$46K - \$50K				
Medical Laboratory Technologist	Medium	\$58K - \$60K				
Quality Control Analyst	Medium	\$50K - \$54K				
Biochemist	Low	\$55K - \$112K				
Chemical Technician	Low	\$32K - \$56K				
Environmental Compliance Specialist	Low	\$42K - \$65K				
Microbiologist	Low	\$48K - \$92K				
Physical Scientist	Low	\$91K - \$101K				
Research Scientist	Low	\$60K - \$87K				

Note that some programs do not have as many professions listed in the Burning Glass data as others do. In these cases we will want to get a list of professions from the chair/school dean to supplement the Burning Glass data.

1.	Which professions in the Burning Glass data were you already aware of and for which are you already intentionally
	preparing students and does the hiring demand in these professions signal anything about the future that you need
	to be aware of regarding the design and structure of your program?

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2. Are there additional professions in the Burning Glass list or from your knowledge of occupations your alumni have entered, for which you should be preparing students?

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3. What changes in your program would be necessary in order to prepare students for the skills and professional qualities needed to succeed in these additional professions?

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4. Are there national trends in higher education or industry that are particularly important to your discipline? If yes, how is your program reacting to those trends?

### **BCHM-F5) Quality Markers**

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Re	Retention/Graduation Rates (First-Time Freshmen)						
		Matriculation Term					
Biology-Chemistry	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
First-Year Retention	92.3%	88.9%	90.0%	96.9%	88.5%	90.5%	91.3%
PLNU First-Year Retention	84.2%	84.1%	81.1%	82.9%	89.3%	84.5%	84.5%
			Mat	triculation T	erm		
	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
Four-Year Graduation Rate	81.0%	61.9%	40.0%	61.5%	72.7%	71.4%	56.5%
PLNU Four-Year Graduation Rate	62.0%	65.2%	61.7%	59.1%	63.4%	62.2%	63.2%
		Matriculation Term					
	Fall 2003	Fall 2004	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Six-Year Graduation Rate	47.8%	100.0%	81.0%	61.9%	60.0%	69.2%	81.8%
PLNU Six-Year Graduation Rate	72.4%	73.2%	73.0%	74.9%	72.2%	73.6%	75.0%
		Degree Co	ompletions				
Majors	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Biology-Chemistry	18	14	4	10	11	15	16
Share of PLNU Bachelor's Degrees	3.0%	2.7%	0.7%	1.8%	1.9%	2.5%	2.9%
Minors	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
		No minors in	this progra	m			
FTF Time to Degree (in semesters)	8.0	8.0	sm	8.4	8.7	8.4	8.4
PLNU FTF Time to Degree	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3
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Study Abroad Participants	3	3	1	2	1	1	1
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1. Based on comparing the quality marker data for your program with the PLNU averages:

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### **BCHM-F6) Infrastructure and Staffing**

Full-Time Faculty Program Contribution						
De	partment UG Total					
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15			
Percentage of UG classes taught by FT faculty	71.9%	72.2%	83.9%			
PLNU percentage of UG classes taught by FT Faculty	TBD	TBD	TBD			
Includes: regular lectures, labs, seminars Excludes: independent studies, private lessons, internships						

1.	Are your program's current technological resources and support adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee
	any additional needs in this area?

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3. Is your program's current staffing (administrative, clerical, technical and instructional) adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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### **BCHM-F7) Challenges and Opportunities**

1. Are there any particular challenges regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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### **BCHM-F8) Recommendations for Program Improvement**

List the recommendations you are making regarding this program analysis with a brief rationale for each recommendation.

# **Program Level Analysis (Env Sci)**

## **Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science**

## **ENVS-F1) Trend and Financial Analysis**

	First-Time	Freshman A	Admissions	Funnel			
Environmental Science	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
Inquiries	22	68	82	97	106	133	118
Share of PLNU inquiries	0.2%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%
Completed Applications	13	21	17	14	29	25	24
Share of PLNU Applications	0.6%	0.8%	0.6%	0.5%	1.0%	0.9%	1.0%
Applicant Conversion Rate	59.1%	30.9%	20.7%	14.4%	27.4%	18.8%	20.3%
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	18.6%	17.3%	17.0%	15.7%	16.1%	12.1%	15.0%
Admits	12	15	8	11	23	22	20
Share of PLNU Admits	0.7%	0.8%	0.4%	0.6%	1.1%	1.0%	1.0%
Selection Rate	92.3%	71.4%	47.1%	78.6%	79.3%	88.0%	83.3%
PLNU Selection Rate	87.4%	72.9%	68.9%	69.0%	70.5%	79.5%	79.8%
New Transfer Admissions Funnel							
<b>Environmental Science</b>	Environmental Science Fall 2009 Fall 2010 Fall 2011 Fall 2012 Fall 2013 Fall 2014 Fall 2015						
Inquiries	2	0	1	8	13	14	16
Share of PLNU inquiries	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.5%	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%
Completed Applications	1		1	4	3	3	3
Share of PLNU Applications	0.2%		0.2%	0.9%	0.6%	0.4%	0.7%
Applicant Conversion Rate	sm		sm	50.0%	23.1%	21.4%	18.8%
PLNU Applicant Conversion Rate	50.2%	55.5%	56.2%	28.4%	33.2%	36.9%	21.7%
Admits	1		1	2	3	2	3
Share of PLNU Admits	0.3%		0.4%	0.7%	0.9%	0.5%	0.8%
Selection Rate	sm		sm	sm	sm	sm	sm
PLNU Selection Rate	79.3%	57.9%	54.8%	60.5%	65.4%	64.1%	79.2%
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1. What does this data tell you about the external demand for your program? What does this say about the future viability of your program?

First-Time Freshman Admissions Yield							
<b>Environmental Science</b>	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
Admits	12	15	8	11	23	22	20
Matriculants	5	3	1	4	4	6	5
Share of PLNU Matriculants	0.9%	0.5%	0.2%	0.7%	0.6%	1.0%	0.8%
Yield Rate	41.7%	20.0%	12.5%	36.4%	17.4%	27.3%	25.0%
PLNU Yield Rate	29.3%	30.5%	27.7%	30.3%	31.0%	27.9%	29.9%
New Transfer Admissions Yield							
<b>Environmental Science</b>	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
Admits	1		1	2	3	2	3
Matriculants	1		1	1	2	0	1
Share of PLNU Matriculants	0.6%		0.7%	0.7%	1.4%	0.0%	0.6%
Yield Rate	sm		sm	sm	sm	sm	sm
PLNU Yield Rate	51.1%	60.2%	54.7%	47.3%	44.6%	46.0%	48.0%
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2. How does your yield rate (percentage of students who enroll at PLNU after being admitted) compare to the PLNU average? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points above the PLNU average, what factors do you believe are contributing to this positive outcome? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points below the PLNU average for more than one year, what factors do you believe are contributing to this difference?

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Enrollment								
Majors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	
<b>Environmental Science</b>	21	22	18	19	22	22	19	
Share of PLNU Undergraduates	0.9%	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%	0.7%	
Minors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	
	No minors in this program							
	Major Migration of Completers*							
Top Importing Programs:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total	
Undeclared			2			2	4	
Biology-Chemistry			1		2		3	
Biology (BA)		1	1				2	
Chemistry				1	1		2	
Top Export Destinations:	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	6-yr Total	
Biology (BA)					1		1	
Biology-Chemistry				1			1	
Exercise Science				1			1	
Philosophy				1			1	
* Based on degree completions of students who either started or finished within the program and who originally matriculated as first-time freshmen								

3. What does this data tell you about the internal demand for your program? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Explain why or why not. Are there any actionable strategies that you can do that might make a difference if your trends are in the wrong direction?

General Education and Service Credit Hour Production  Department UG Total							
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15			
Total Dept UG student credit hours	5,421.0	5,880.0	5,742.0	5,648.0			
Number of GE sections taught	?	?	?	?			
% of SCH that are GE	47.0%	51.6%	52.1%	51.5%			
Share of PLNU GE SCH	7.3%	8.4%	8.3%	8.1%			
Number of service course sections taught	?	?	?	?			
% of SCH that are service	18.2%	20.5%	21.2%	21.2%			
Share of PLNU service SCH	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD			

4. What does this data tell you about how your program is impacted by the needs of GE and other academic disciplines? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program if these non-programmatic trends continue? Explain why or why not.

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Delaware Study Data  Department Total												
	2010/11 2011/12 2012/13				2	2013/14						
Program Cost per SCH	\$244			\$239		\$237			\$260			
Benchmark Percentiles	\$148	\$194	\$244	\$153	\$201	\$235	\$161	\$198	\$243	\$174	\$217	\$266
Ranking	Medium-High			High Mediu		Medium		Medium				

- 5. We know that the following factors influence the Delaware cost per credit hour:
  - Large amount of GE and service classes taught by the program
  - The career stage of the program faculty (early career faculty are less expensive)
  - The number of elective courses in the program
  - The amount of unfunded load (faculty receiving more credit for a course than the number of units received by a student e.g. 4 units of faculty load for teaching a 3 unit class)
  - The amount of release time associated with the program
  - Faculty members on sabbatical
  - The size of the department budget and the cost of specialized equipment

Please reflect on your program's Delaware data in light of this information. In particular, what factors contribute to your program having a high (above 75<sup>th</sup> percentile), medium (50<sup>th</sup>-75<sup>th</sup> percentile), or low (below 50<sup>th</sup> percentile) ranking?

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6. Recognizing that not all factors above are under departmental control, what kinds of adjustments might be made to reduce the cost per student credit hour?

\*\*\*\*\* Future \*\*\*\*\*

Financial Data: (possibly delayed to the future)

Extra Revenue Generated by Program (lab fees, studio fees, etc.)

Extra Revenue per student credit hour

Extra Costs for the program (equipment not purchased outside of department budget, etc.)

Extra costs per student credit hour

Modified Delaware values: Delaware – extra revenue per SCH + extra costs per SCH

7. Do these modified Delaware values tell you anything new about the future viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Please explain.

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### **ENVS-F2) Findings from Assessment**

#### Links to the department's assessment wheel

- Student Learning Outcomes
- Curriculum Maps
- Assessment Plan
- Evidence of Student Learning
- Use of the Evidence of Student Learning

#### Reflection on longitudinal assessment of student learning data:

1. What have you learned from this program's student learning assessment data?

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What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the student learning assessment data?

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3. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the student learning assessment data?

#### **DQP Outcomes with Scores**

\*\*\*\*\* TBD \*\*\*\*\*

#### **DQP Definitions**

#### Intellectual Skills

Intellectual Skills define proficiencies that transcend the boundaries of particular fields of study: analytic inquiry, use of information resources, engaging diverse perspectives, ethical reasoning, quantitative fluency, and communicative fluency.

#### Specialized Knowledge

What students in any specialization should demonstrate with respect to the specialization, often called the major field. All fields call more or less explicitly for proficiencies involving terminology, theory, methods, tools, literature, complex problems or applications and cognizance of limits.

#### **Applied and Collaborative Learning**

Applied learning suggests what graduates can do with what they know. This area focuses on the interaction of academic and non-academic settings and the corresponding integration of theory and practice, along with the ideal of learning with others in the course of application projects.

#### Broad and Integrative Knowledge

Students integrate their broad learning by exploring, connecting and applying concepts and methods across multiple fields of study to complex questions—in the student's areas of specialization, in work or other field-based settings and in the wider society.

#### Civic and Global Learning

Civic and Global Learning proficiencies rely principally on the types of cognitive activities (describing, examining, elucidating, justifying) that are within the direct purview of the university, but they also include evidence of civic activities and learning beyond collegiate settings. These proficiencies reflect the need for analytic inquiry and engagement with diverse perspectives.

#### Reflection on DQP related data:

Understanding that the DQP framework provides one particular lens on the meaning, quality and integrity of your curriculum, reflect on the DQP data and framework provided for your program.

4. What have you learned from this program's DQP comparison?

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5. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the DQP comparison?

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6. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the DQP comparison?

#### Links to stakeholder assessment data

(if present this will be department housed data)

- Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Market Analysis
- Etc...

#### Reflection on stakeholder feedback data:

7. What have you learned from this program's stakeholder assessment data? If you do not have stakeholder data, please provide a plan for how you will regularly collect this in the future.

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8. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the stakeholder assessment data?

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9. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the stakeholder assessment data?

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### **ENVS-F3) Curriculum Analysis**

In looking at your curriculum, the program review process is asking you to analyze it through three different lenses. The first lens is looking at your content and structure from the perspective of guild standards or standards gleaned from looking at programs at comparator institutions. The second lens that of employability and is asking you to look at your curriculum and educational experiences from the perspective of skills and professional qualities that you are developing in your students that will serve them will in their future work and vocational callings. The third lens is that of pedagogy and is asking you to look at the delivery of your curriculum to ensure a high quality student learning experience.

Menu and Elective Unit Analysis	
Environmental Science	
Number of menu and elective units required by the program	14
Number of menu and elective units offered by the program	26
Menu/Elective Ratio	1.86
Longitudinal Class Section Enrollment Data	
Link to Class Section Enrollment Report	_

#### Comparison of current curriculum to guild standards and/or comparator institutions.

If your guild standards are associated with a specialized accreditation that your program has, these should be the basis of your analysis. If your guild standards are associated with specialized accreditation that we do not have, then you should primarily use comparator institutions as the basis for your analysis.

If your guild has standards that are not associated with specialized accreditation, then you may choose to use those standards and/or comparator institutions.

After consultation with your Dean, provide the set of guild standards or a list of the comparator institutions that you are using in your analysis.

#### If using guild standards:

1. Please provide a list of the guild standards that you are using to evaluate your curriculum.

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2. Indicate if and how your curriculum satisfies the standards (this can be done in a table or narrative form). If applicable, indicate areas where your curriculum falls short of the standards.

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Based on the analysis of standard and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above, consider and discuss the following questions:

3. Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.

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4. Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.

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5. Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.

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6. Are there courses that should be added? Why or why not. Note that in general, in order to create the space to add a new course, another course will need to be eliminated or taught less frequently.

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7. What did you learn about your overall curricular structure in terms of its complexity, breadth and depth in light of the guild standards and our institutional size and scope? Are there any structural changes that need to be made in light of your analysis (e.g. sequencing of courses, % and or grouping of electives, overall units required, use of concentrations, etc...)?

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#### If using comparator institutions:

 Begin by working with your Dean to identify a list of 5-8 comparator schools to use. In selecting schools, consideration should be given to type of institution, mission of the institution and the number of students majoring in the program.

	Institution 1
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	Institution 3
	Institution 4
	Institution 5
	Institution 6
	ner the curricular requirements for the program in question at each of the comparator institutions.
2.	Use this collection of curricular requirements to develop a list of curricular features that are essential for programs
	of this type. In addition, make note of any innovative or creative curricular feature that may be useful in enhancing
	the quality of you program.
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Revi	ew this list with your Dean before using it to analyze your own curriculum.
3.	Indicate how your curriculum compares to the list of curricular features from your analysis (this can be done in a
	table or narrative form).
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Base 4.	ed on the analysis of comparator programs and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above:  Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.  Click here to enter text.
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	Burning Glass Skills Data Environmental Science	
1. Communication Skills	5. Project Management	9. Quality Assurance and Control
2. Writing	6. Leadership	10. Supervisory Skills
3. Organizational Skills	7. Research	11. Budgeting
4. Planning	8. Management	12. Problem Solving

#### Analysis of the curriculum against preparation for employment

9. The Burning Glass data provides a list of skills for students entering common professions that are often linked to your major. Indicate in the table if and where each skill is being taught in your program. Based on reflecting on this data, are there changes you would recommend making to your curriculum?

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10. Some programs may serve to prepare students with professional qualities and skills that can serve them well in a great variety of professions that may not show up in data sets like Burning Glass. If this is indicative of your program, please identify the unique skills and/or professional qualities that your program develops in your students and indicate where in the curriculum this is being taught or developed.

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#### Analysis of the teaching of your curriculum

- 11. How do the pedagogical features of your program compare with the best practices for teaching in your discipline? Click here to enter text.
- 12. What new pedagogical practices have been tried by members of your department in the last few years? What has your department learned from these experiments?

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13. Are there new developments in pedagogy in your discipline? What would be required to implement these changes in pedagogy in your department?

### **ENVS-F4) Potential Impact of National Trends**

Top Burning Glass Occupations for the Program Environmental Science					
Occupation	Hiring Demand	Salary Range			
Project Manager	Very High	\$84K - \$87K			
Environmental Scientist / Specialist	Medium	\$54K - \$57K			
Geographer / GIS Specialist	Medium	\$61K - \$67K			
Alternative Energy Manager	Low	\$67K - \$86K			
Environmental Compliance Specialist	Low	\$42K - \$65K			
Environmental Engineering Technician	Low	\$41K - \$59K			
Environmental Planner	Low	\$64K - \$72K			
Fish / Game Warden	Low	\$31K - \$41K			
Fish Hatchery Manager / Technician	Low	\$30K - \$33K			
Meteorologist	Low	\$39K - \$60K			
Park Ranger / Naturalist	Low	\$35K - \$38K			
Research Manager	Low	\$59K - \$69K			
Sustainability Specialist	Low	\$51K - \$83K			
Water Resource Specialist	Low	\$88K - \$156K			
Wildlife Biologist	Low	\$48K - \$54K			

Note that some programs do not have as many professions listed in the Burning Glass data as others do. In these cases we will want to get a list of professions from the chair/school dean to supplement the Burning Glass data.

1. Which professions in the Burning Glass data were you already aware of and for which are you already intentionally preparing students and does the hiring demand in these professions signal anything about the future that you need to be aware of regarding the design and structure of your program?

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2. Are there additional professions in the Burning Glass list or from your knowledge of occupations your alumni have entered, for which you should be preparing students?

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3. What changes in your program would be necessary in order to prepare students for the skills and professional qualities needed to succeed in these additional professions?

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4. Are there national trends in higher education or industry that are particularly important to your discipline? If yes, how is your program reacting to those trends?

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## **ENVS-F5) Quality Markers**

Retention/Graduation Rates (First-Time Freshmen)									
		Matriculation Term							
Environmental Science	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014		
First-Year Retention	75.0%	sm	80.0%	sm	100.0%	80.0%	60.0%		
PLNU First-Year Retention	84.2%	84.1%	81.1%	82.9%	89.3%	84.5%	84.5%		
			Mat	triculation T	erm				
Environmental Science	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011		
Four-Year Graduation Rate	sm	sm	sm	54.5%	sm	57.1%			
PLNU Four-Year Graduation Rate	62.0%	65.2%	61.7%	59.1%	63.4%	62.2%	63.2%		
		Matriculation Term							
<b>Environmental Science</b>	Fall 2003	Fall 2004	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009		
Six-Year Graduation Rate			sm	sm	sm	77.8%	sm		
PLNU Six-Year Graduation Rate	72.4%	73.2%	73.0%	74.9%	72.2%	73.6%	75.0%		
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Study Abroad Participants	1	3	4	6	3	4	2		
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	area?				

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3. Is your program's current staffing (administrative, clerical, technical and instructional) adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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### **ENVS-F7) Challenges and Opportunities**

1. Are there any particular challenges regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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2. Are there any particular opportunities regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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## **ENVS-F8) Recommendations for Program Improvement**

List the recommendations you are making regarding this program analysis with a brief rationale for each recommendation.

## **Program Level Analysis (MA/MS)**

## **General Biology (MA/MS)**

### **Grad-F1) Trend and Financial Analysis**

	New Gra	aduate Adr	nissions Fu	nnel			
General Biology (MA/MS)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
Inquiries				NI/A			
Share of PLNU Graduate inquiries				N/A			
Completed Applications		<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	3	5
	4						
Share of PLNU Graduate Applications			N/A			1.5%	1.5%
Applicant Conversion Rate			IN/A				-
PLNU Grad Applicant Conversion Rate							
Admits						3	5
Share of PLNU Admits	7		NI/A			1.6%	1.5%
Selection Rate			N/A			sm	100.0%
PLNU Graduate Selection Rate						94.6%	96.8%
sm = Cell sizes too small							

1. What does this data tell you about the external demand for your program? What does this say about the future viability of your program?

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	New G	raduate Ac	lmissions Y	'ield			
General Biology (MA/MS)	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
Admits						3	5
Matriculants						2	3
Share of PLNU Graduate Matriculants			N/A			1.3%	1.3%
Yield Rate						sm	60.0%
PLNU Graduate Yield Rate						82.7%	72.3%
sm = Cell sizes too small							

2. How does your yield rate (percentage of students who enroll at PLNU after being admitted) compare to the PLNU average? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points above the PLNU average, what factors do you believe are contributing to this positive outcome? If your rate is more than 8 percentage points below the PLNU average for more than one year, what factors do you believe are contributing to this difference?

		Enro	llment				
Majors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
General Biology (MA)	6	3	11	11	8	6	8
General Biology (MS)	19	13	6	8	9	12	11
Total Students	25	16	17	19	17	18	19
Share of PLNU Graduate Students	2.3%	1.4%	1.6%	2.2%	2.1%	2.2%	2.1%
Minors	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
	Not a	pplicable to	graduate pro	ograms			
	Majo	or Migratio	n of Comple	eters*			
	Not a	pplicable for	graduate pr	ograms			

3. What does this data tell you about the internal demand for your program? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Explain why or why not. Are there any actionable strategies that you can do that might make a difference if your trends are in the wrong direction?

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General Education and Service General Biology		Production		
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Total program student credit hours	117.0	107.0	99.0	94.0
Number of GE sections taught % of SCH that are GE Share of PLNU GE SCH	Not a	applicable for §	graduate progr	ams
Number of service course sections taught % of SCH that are service Share of PLNU service SCH	Not a	applicable for §	graduate progr	ams

4. What does this data tell you about how your program is impacted by the needs of GE and other academic disciplines? Does this raise any questions about the viability and/or sustainability of your program if these non-programmatic trends continue? Explain why or why not.

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	2	2010/11	L		2011/12	2	2	2012/13		2	2013/14	
Program Cost per SCH		\$244			\$239			\$237			\$260	
Benchmark Percentiles	\$148	\$194	\$244	\$153	\$201	\$235	\$161	\$198	\$243	\$174	\$217	\$266
Ranking	Me	dium-H	igh		High		1	Medium		ſ	Medium	

- 5. We know that the following factors influence the Delaware cost per credit hour:
  - Large amount of GE and service classes taught by the program
  - The career stage of the program faculty (early career faculty are less expensive)

- The number of elective courses in the program
- The amount of unfunded load (faculty receiving more credit for a course than the number of units received by a student e.g. 4 units of faculty load for teaching a 3 unit class)
- The amount of release time associated with the program
- Faculty members on sabbatical
- The size of the department budget and the cost of specialized equipment

Please reflect on your program's Delaware data in light of this information. In particular, what factors contribute to your program having a high (above 75<sup>th</sup> percentile), medium (50<sup>th</sup>-75<sup>th</sup> percentile), or low (below 50<sup>th</sup> percentile) ranking?

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6. Recognizing that not all factors above are under departmental control, what kinds of adjustments might be made to reduce the cost per student credit hour?

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### \*\*\*\*\* Future \*\*\*\*\*

Financial Data: (possibly delayed to the future)

Extra Revenue Generated by Program (lab fees, studio fees, etc.)

Extra Revenue per student credit hour

Extra Costs for the program (equipment not purchased outside of department budget, etc.)

Extra costs per student credit hour

Modified Delaware values: Delaware – extra revenue per SCH + extra costs per SCH

7. Do these modified Delaware values tell you anything new about the future viability and/or sustainability of your program as it is currently configured? Please explain.

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### **Grad-F2) Findings from Assessment**

#### Links to the department's assessment wheel

- Student Learning Outcomes
- Curriculum Maps
- Assessment Plan
- Evidence of Student Learning
- Use of the Evidence of Student Learning

#### Reflection on longitudinal assessment of student learning data:

. What have you learned from this program's student learning assessment data?

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2. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the student learning assessment data?

3. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the student learning assessment data?

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#### **DQP Outcomes with Scores**

\*\*\*\*\* TBD \*\*\*\*\*

#### **DQP Definitions**

#### **Intellectual Skills**

Intellectual Skills define proficiencies that transcend the boundaries of particular fields of study: analytic inquiry, use of information resources, engaging diverse perspectives, ethical reasoning, quantitative fluency, and communicative fluency.

#### Specialized Knowledge

What students in any specialization should demonstrate with respect to the specialization, often called the major field. All fields call more or less explicitly for proficiencies involving terminology, theory, methods, tools, literature, complex problems or applications and cognizance of limits.

#### **Applied and Collaborative Learning**

Applied learning suggests what graduates can do with what they know. This area focuses on the interaction of academic and non-academic settings and the corresponding integration of theory and practice, along with the ideal of learning with others in the course of application projects.

#### **Broad and Integrative Knowledge**

Students integrate their broad learning by exploring, connecting and applying concepts and methods across multiple fields of study to complex questions—in the student's areas of specialization, in work or other field-based settings and in the wider society.

#### Civic and Global Learnina

Civic and Global Learning proficiencies rely principally on the types of cognitive activities (describing, examining, elucidating, justifying) that are within the direct purview of the university, but they also include evidence of civic activities and learning beyond collegiate settings. These proficiencies reflect the need for analytic inquiry and engagement with diverse perspectives.

#### Reflection on DQP related data:

Understanding that the DQP framework provides one particular lens on the meaning, quality and integrity of your curriculum, reflect on the DQP data and framework provided for your program.

4. What have you learned from this program's DQP comparison?

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5. What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the DQP comparison?

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6. What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the DQP comparison?

#### Links to stakeholder assessment data

(if present this will be department housed data)

- Surveys
- **Focus Groups**
- Market Analysis
- Etc...

#### Reflection on stakeholder feedback data:

What have you learned from this program's stakeholder assessment data? If you do not have stakeholder data, please provide a plan for how you will regularly collect this in the future.

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What changes (curricular and others) have you made based on the stakeholder assessment data?

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What additional changes are you recommending based on your review of the stakeholder assessment data?

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### **Grad-F3) Curriculum Analysis**

In looking at your curriculum, the program review process is asking you to analyze it through three different lenses. The first lens is looking at your content and structure from the perspective of guild standards or standards gleaned from looking at programs at comparator institutions. The second lens that of employability and is asking you to look at your curriculum and educational experiences from the perspective of skills and professional qualities that you are developing in your students that will serve them will in their future work and vocational callings. The third lens is that of pedagogy and is asking you to look at the delivery of your curriculum to ensure a high quality student learning experience.

Menu and Elective Unit Analysis General Biology (MA/MS)		
Number of menu and elective units required by the program		
Number of menu and elective units offered by the program	MA	N/A
Menu/Elective Ratio		
Number of menu and elective units required by the program		
Number of menu and elective units offered by the program	MS	N/A
Menu/Elective Ratio		
Longitudinal Class Section Enrollment Data		
Link to Class Section Enrollment Report	•	•

#### Comparison of current curriculum to guild standards and/or comparator institutions.

If your guild standards are associated with a specialized accreditation that your program has, these should be the basis of your analysis. If your guild standards are associated with specialized accreditation that we do not have, then you should primarily use comparator institutions as the basis for your analysis.

If your guild has standards that are not associated with specialized accreditation, then you may choose to use those standards and/or comparator institutions.

After consultation with your Dean, provide the set of guild standards or a list of the comparator institutions that you are using in your analysis.

If using guild standard	'ds	ar	da	n	taı	d	gui	ing	us	lf
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1.	Please provide a list of the guild standards that you are using to evaluate your curriculum.
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2.	Indicate if and how your curriculum satisfies the standards (this can be done in a table or narrative form). If applicable, indicate areas where your curriculum falls short of the standards.

Based on the analysis of standard and reflection on the menu and elective ratio above, consider and discuss the following questions:

3. Are there courses in your program that should be modified? Why or why not.

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4. Are there courses that should be eliminated? Why or why not.

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5. Are there courses that could be merged? Why or why not.

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6. Are there courses that should be added? Why or why not. Note that in general, in order to create the space to add a new course, another course will need to be eliminated or taught less frequently.

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7. What did you learn about your overall curricular structure in terms of its complexity, breadth and depth in light of the guild standards and our institutional size and scope? Are there any structural changes that need to be made in light of your analysis (e.g. sequencing of courses, % and or grouping of electives, overall units required, use of concentrations, etc...)?

	ing comparator institutions:  Begin by working with your Dean to identify a list of 5-8 comparator schools to use. In selecting schools,
	consideration should be given to type of institution, mission of the institution and the number of students majorin in the program.
	Institution 1
	Institution 2
	Institution 3
	Institution 4
	Institution 5
	Institution 6
at	ner the curricular requirements for the program in question at each of the comparator institutions.
•	Use this collection of curricular requirements to develop a list of curricular features that are essential for programs
	of this type. In addition, make note of any innovative or creative curricular feature that may be useful in enhancing
	the quality of you program.
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8.	What did you learn about your overall curricular structure in terms of its complexity, breadth and depth in light of the comparator schools and our institutional size and scope? Are there any structural changes that need to be made in light of your analysis (e.g. sequencing of courses, % and or grouping of electives, overall units required, use of concentrations, etc)?
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	Burning Glass Skills Data General Biology (MA/MS)
	Data not available for graduate programs
<u>Ana</u> 9.	lysis of the curriculum against preparation for employment  The Burning Glass data provides a list of skills for students entering common professions that are often linked to your major. Indicate in the table if and where each skill is being taught in your program. Based on reflecting on this data, are there changes you would recommend making to your curriculum?
	Click here to enter text.
10.	Some programs may serve to prepare students with professional qualities and skills that can serve them well in a great variety of professions that may not show up in data sets like Burning Glass. If this is indicative of your program, please identify the unique skills and/or professional qualities that your program develops in your students and indicate where in the curriculum this is being taught or developed.
	Click here to enter text.
	lysis of the teaching of your curriculum  How do the pedagogical features of your program compare with the best practices for teaching in your discipline?  Click here to enter text.
12.	What new pedagogical practices have been tried by members of your department in the last few years? What has your department learned from these experiments?
	Click here to enter text.
13.	Are there new developments in pedagogy in your discipline? What would be required to implement these changes in pedagogy in your department?  Click here to enter text.

### **Grad-F4) Potential Impact of National Trends**

Top Burning Glass Occupations for the Program General Biology (MA/MS)			
Occupation	<u> </u>	Hiring Demand	Salary Range
Data not available for graduate programs			

Note that some programs do not have as many professions listed in the Burning Glass data as others do. In these cases we will want to get a list of professions from the chair/school dean to supplement the Burning Glass data.

1. Which professions in the Burning Glass data were you already aware of and for which are you already intentionally preparing students and does the hiring demand in these professions signal anything about the future that you need to be aware of regarding the design and structure of your program?

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2. Are there additional professions in the Burning Glass list or from your knowledge of occupations your alumni have entered, for which you should be preparing students?

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3. What changes in your program would be necessary in order to prepare students for the skills and professional qualities needed to succeed in these additional professions?

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4. Are there national trends in higher education or industry that are particularly important to your discipline? If yes, how is your program reacting to those trends?

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### **Grad-F5) Quality Markers**

Graduation Rates							
	Matriculation Term						
General Biology (MA/MS)	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
Graduation Rate	Data is not available						
PLNU Grad Student Graduation Rate							
Degree Completions							
Majors	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
General Biology (MA)	1	1	5	2	5	5	4
General Biology (MS)	4	4	3	6	0	3	3
Total Master's Completions	5	5	8	8	5	8	7
Share of PLNU Master's Degrees	1.6%	2.0%	3.3%	3.2%	1.6%	3.4%	3.0%
Time to Degree (in semesters)	Data is not available						
PLNU Graduate Time to Degree							
Study Abroad Participants	Not applicable for graduate programs						

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1.	Based on comparing the quality marker data for your program with the PLNU averages:  a. What does this tell you about your program?
	Click here to enter text.
	b. If your values are below the PLNU averages, what changes could you make to address any areas of concern?  Click here to enter text.
	c. If your values are above the PLNU averages, what do you believe contributes to this success?  Click here to enter text.
2.	Describe regular opportunities for students to apply their knowledge (internships, practicums, research projects, senior projects, etc.). Estimate what percentage of your students in this program participates in these kinds of opportunities.
	Click here to enter text.
3.	Describe any public scholarship of your undergraduate and graduate students in this program (conference presentations, publications, performances, etc.). What percentage of your undergraduate students are involved in these kinds of activities?
	Click here to enter text.
4.	How many of your students participate in study abroad opportunities in general? Describe any study abroad opportunities specifically organized by your program. What percentage of your majors are involved annually (annualize the number)? How many students outside of your department participate in this departmentally organized program (Annualize the number)?
	Click here to enter text.
5.	What are any other distinctives of your program? Describe how they contribute to the program's success.  Click here to enter text.
	Click here to enter text.
6.	Does your program have an advisory board? If so, describe how it has influenced the quality of your program? If not, could it benefit from creating one?
	Click here to enter text.
7.	Describe any current joint interdisciplinary degrees (majors or minors) offered by your department. Are there

Click here to enter text.

8. Describe your success with students acquiring jobs related to their discipline.

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9. Describe your undergraduate and graduate student success rate for passing licensure or credentialing exams (if they exist in your discipline).

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10. Describe your success with undergraduate student acceptance into post-baccalaureate education.

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11. What kind of support does your program provide for students encountering academic difficulties? How do you intentionally facilitate these students' connection with institutional support services?

Click here to enter text.

### **Grad-F6) Infrastructure and Staffing**

Full-Time Faculty Program Contribution				
General Biology (MA/MS)				
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	
Percentage of Grad classes taught by FT faculty	60.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
PLNU percentage of grad classes taught by FT Faculty	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Includes: regular lectures, labs, seminars				
Excludes: independent studies, private lessons, internships				

1. Are your program's current technological resources and support adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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2. Are your program's current facilities adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

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3. Is your program's current staffing (administrative, clerical, technical and instructional) adequate? If not, what is needed? Do you foresee any additional needs in this area?

### **Grad-F7) Challenges and Opportunities**

1. Are there any particular challenges regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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2. Are there any particular opportunities regarding this program that have not been addressed through the analysis and reflection on data or questions in sections F1-F6 that you would like to include here?

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### **Grad-F8) Recommendations for Program Improvement**

List the recommendations you are making regarding this program analysis with a brief rationale for each recommendation.

## **Departmental Level Synthesis**

## **G) Synthesis of Program Recommendations**

Please create a combined list of program recommendations and rank order that list according to the department's priorities. Please provide a brief rationale for the ranking.

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## H) Action Plan Considerations for MOU

Review your prioritized recommendation list with the Dean and in partnership with the Dean develop a draft action plan and timeline to be considered as part of the MOU.

### **Dean Level**

### 1) Compliance Checklist

In addition to the Dean roles above, The Dean will be responsible to evaluate and generate a brief report on the following areas to be included with the self-study that is sent to the PR committee and external reviewers.

Check the Academic Unit's Assessment Wheel for each program:

- 1. Do they have learning outcomes? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 2. Are their syllabi posted? Are they up to date?
- 3. Do they have course learning outcomes? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 4. Do they have a curriculum map? Is it adequate? Is it up to date?
- 5. Do they have a multi-year assessment plan? Is it adequate? Is it up to date?
- 6. Do they have methods of assessment? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 7. Do they have direct methods of assessment? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 8. Do they have evidence of student learning? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 9. Have they established the criteria of success? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 10. Have they analyzed their findings? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 11. Have they made changes based on evidence? Are they adequate? Are they up to date?
- 12. Credit Hour: Are the courses in the program in compliance with credit hour expectations?
- 13. Does the department have evidence posted on the assessment wheel for the Core Competencies?

When complete, the Dean signs off on the self-study as being ready to submit to the Program Review Committee and external reviewers (if no outside accreditation exists)

## **Program Review Committee and External Review**

Once the Self-Study is ready, send it to the chair of the Program Review Committee and the Dean approved External Reviewers for their consideration. The Program Review Committee will incorporate the external reviewer feedback into a combined report that will go back to the Dean and Academic unit for their response. The academic unit leader, the Dean and the Provost will finalize an MOU with action plan for cabinet approval. The self-study, the compliance checklist, the PR committee report, the departmental response and the cabinet-approved MOU will comprise a completed program review.