Welcome!

The Office of Assessment & Academic Program Review proudly presents the creation and development of The Assessment & APR Quarterly, a quarterly newsletter that is dedicated to assessment and academic program review news, developments, and updates. Here at OAPR, we know that quality educational programs are a key component of our academic mission. Our goal is to provide you, the reader, with valuable information and resources to help you stay informed and engaged with the latest developments in assessment and academic program review.

The IUKM Office of Assessment & Academic Program Review

In November 2017, the IUKM Office of Assessment & Academic Program Review (OAPR) was created. The OAPR is led by a Director (Julie Sanchez, Ph.D.), an Institutional Researcher (Charisse Hines), and a full complement of support staff, including a Student Associate (Will Korn Steiner, M.P.A.), an Administrative Assistant (Michael Russo, M.A.), and a Graduate Assistant (Samantha Udycz). The mission of the OAPR is to support IUKM’s strategic initiatives, policies, and processes through the implementation of effective and efficient assessment and academic program review processes.

The University of Kentucky has just completed its visit with the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) in March 2019. The Assessment Team came across this glossary of terms that assists your review of the new education program in your state. This report is a guide to assist in understanding the processes involved in the development of a new education program.

Focus on APR

Through Academic Program Review, faculty, staff, and students work to ensure that programs remain current, innovative, and meet the needs of our diverse learners. Our goal is to foster a culture of continuous improvement and to develop programs that are responsive to the needs of our students and society.

OAPR Article Review

Avoiding the Pitfalls of Program Review, Hanlon and Dunn 2017

This article provides an overview of common pitfalls to avoid during program review and offers strategies for successful program review.

Question of the Issue: How do you use collected assessment data to inform your curriculum and teaching approach?

Send your response to trassum@kentucky.edu and we will publish them in our next issue!

Note-Worthy Links

Data Help:

Do you have a bunch of data in Excel that you don’t know what to do with? Check out the Excel functions in formulas you can use to analyze your data.

Ready to get started with visualization? Tableau (https://public.tableau.com) is one of the most intuitive data visualization tools and guides on how to use it.

Assessment Conference—May 2019 (https://www.uky.edu/assessment/ipac) will be held on the campus of the University of Kentucky. The conference, home to EBP, is now the nation’s largest and longest event of its kind.

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