Mānoa’s academic program review process includes a self-review conducted by the academic department housing the program, as well as an executive summary from the dean of the college. These self-studies follow established guidelines set forth by Executive Policies E5.201: “Approval of New Academic Programs and Review of Provisional Academic Programs,” and E5.202: “Review of Established Programs.”

Program review at Mānoa reveals strengths and challenges, and ensures program effectiveness with respect to the discipline, university policy, and external accreditation standards. In order to evaluate each program within its context, Mānoa now reviews all academic programs in a college concurrently, taking into consideration the overarching administrative and support structure of the college.

A review team composed of external evaluators considers the self-study reports of the departments and the executive summary of the dean, reviews the academic programs with regard to conformance with the disciplines and academic rigor, examines the annual assessment reports for each program over the last three to five years, analyzes results of the student and alumni survey, and reviews faculty research and service, and departmental and college governance.

The review team presents its findings to the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dean of the Graduate Division, dean of the college, and department chairs, faculty, and staff of the units reviewed. An exit interview is held with the dean, the chair(s), the Dean of the Graduate Division, and the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs to discuss the recommendations and to develop a plan of implementation. These reviews and recommendations form the basis for administrative decisions affecting the program and the college. One year, and three years after the review, the dean and department chairs report to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs on progress made in implementing the recommendations.
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