

4170 Program Review Policy

4171 Definition

Program review is a systematic process for the collection, analysis, interpretation and presentation of data concerning an instructional or educational support department/program, its curriculum/practices and the performance of the students it serves or the services it provides. It is used to evaluate the effectiveness of the department/program, to facilitate improvement of the department/program, and to promote effective planning. In accordance with Title 5, Section 51022, Instructional Program, Santa Barbara City College has adopted the following Program Review Policy.

4172 Intent

The primary objective of program review is to improve the quality of education at SBCC. The purposes of program review are:

- A. To evaluate how well the department/program fulfills its purpose or mandate in relation to the mission of the college, the college's plan, and the department's/program's objectives and goals.
- B. To improve the instructional and educational support programs and promote student learning and the achievement of desired educational outcomes.
- C. To aid the department/program and the college in planning and decision-making.

4173 Timeline

- A. A full program review will be conducted on a biennial basis with 50% of the departments/programs reviewed each year. This program review will be considered in college's planning processes.
- B. A brief report summarizing the results and recommendations of the program review is to be completed in accordance with the program review procedure.
- C. A program review update to be considered in college's planning processes will be completed annually, when needed.

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