

OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Program Reduction and Elimination OIT-20-050

Purpose

When a significant net reduction in budget is imminent, the Program Reduction and Elimination committee (PREC) will provide recommendations to the President. In determining recommendations PREC

synthesizing the perspectives of its various constituents.

distinct from FOAC. Essentially, PREC advises the President on imminent budgetary reduction, while FOAC advises the President on continuing budgetary management priorities aligned with the strategic goals of OIT.

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Reduction/Elimination Criteria

Listed below are the criteria, which both indicate and contra-

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2. Criteria Contra-indicating Reduction/Elimination of Academic Programs

- a. program beyond the critical mass necessary to maintain adequate quality.
- b. The program cannot be reduced without a risk to accreditation of this or another academic program.
- c. Current projections indicate that demand for the program or its graduates will increase substantially within the next three years.
- d. The program is one that has achieved regional or national recognition for exceptional quality.
- e. The program provides instruction or services that OIT is better equipped to supply than other organizations in this region of the state.
- f. The program is the only one of its kind within the state of Oregon.
- g. support currently derived from grants, contracts, endowments or gifts. cial
- h. it.
- i. protected classes or have other negative affirmative action effects.
- j. The program is an important part of the OIT mission.

3. Criteria Supporting Reduction/Elimination of Non-academic Programs

- a. Program changes leading to significant cost reductions for similar or higher levels and quality of essential services through:
 - reorganization or restructuring of service units and activities,
 - purchase of services at lower cost from external providers or acquisition, at no cost, through partnerships with the private sector, or
 - substitution of services that meet needs at a lower cost.

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- j. The program cannot be reduced without a risk to the accreditation of an academic program.
- k. Current projections indicate that demand for the program will increase substantially within the next three years.
- l. The program is one that has achieved regional or national recognition for exceptional quality.
- m. protected classes or have other negative affirmative action effects.

Procedure for Review of Possible Program Reduction/Elimination

At the time the President finds that program reduction or elimination as defined herein may become unavoidable, he/she will:

- a. Notify the college community at large, and specifically the F

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- h. Implement the plan as approved by the State Board of Higher Education. Prior to actual implementation, the administration will develop with the Chair, Director, and/or Coordinator of each of the reduced or eliminated programs, a plan for the reduction, including timing of the reduction in that program, the particular personnel or budget items to be terminated, the effect of the termination plan on students and other related items.

Recommended by:

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