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11. Program Reviews

Overview

Describes the policy and procedural requirements for cyclical review of all academic programs offered at UAEU.

Scope

This policy applies to undergraduate and graduate degree programs at UAEU and their host Departments and Colleges.

Objective

Periodic Program Review promotes institutional accountability and effectiveness in securing academic programs that:
- are student centered;
- meet national needs;
- meet international standards for the qualification and the discipline;
- have the curricula, pedagogy and resources required for students to succeed;
- are regularly evaluated and adapted; and
- will give enduring academic credential to the graduate.

Policy

1. All academic programs are reviewed once every 4-6 years; where possible, similar programs in a Department should be reviewed together.

2. Program reviews include a comprehensive check on the academic programs' conformance to the requirements of the UAE Qualifications Framework and the extent they follow the descriptive criteria associated with the appropriate level of Framework.

3. Periodic Program Review is faculty-led, evidence-based, student-focused and based on peer-review. It generates a plan of action to develop the academic program that is linked to College and UAEU planning and budgeting processes. Progress against the action plan is monitored periodically at College and UAEU levels.

4. Students are included at each stage of the Periodic Program Review process, including production of the self-study, the review panel's site visit, and future action planning. Each academic Department will determine how best to fulfill this policy requirement.

5. The budget for the Periodic Program Review is held and administered by the Provost.

6. The procedures for the Periodic Program Review apply to both undergraduate and graduate programs and are maintained and administered by the Provost. The procedures are kept in the Academic Governance Policy for undergraduate programs.