

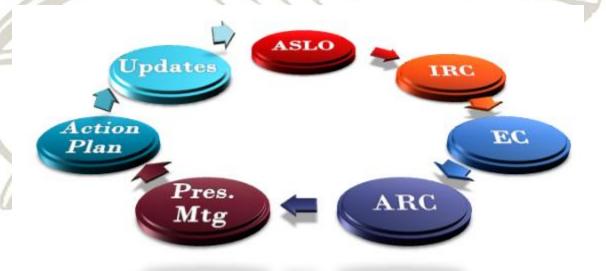
Academic Program Review Objectives

- To assert ... the highest standards of academic excellence
- To ... 'fine-tune' academic programs, through collegial, peer and external consultation to the program
- To establish a <u>culture</u> within the University that <u>aspires for excellence</u> in ... every one of our academic activities.

Academic Program Review Considerations

- engaging faculty and students in the discussion and analysis of what constitutes pre-eminent education, both generally and within specific academic disciplines
- into the design of and future planning for academic programs

Academic Review Process An Overview





ASLO

- SASLO completed & received
- The program under review provides:
 - 6 faculty members who are associated /familiar with the program
 - 3 pre-eminent non-NSU comparative programs
 - 3 non-NSU faculty members who are both disinterested with respect to the program under review and recognized as pre-eminent in the field



Internal Review Committee (IRC) Created

- Each IRC is comprised of <u>5 faculty</u> members as follows:
 - 3 from the list of 6 associated with the program
 - 1 from outside of the program
 - 1 chairperson from outside the program and a member of NSU's Academic Review Committee (ARC)



IRC Report

The IRC members' initial task is to identify the elements of pre-eminence in the following areas:

- **Faculty**
- **Students**
- Student Services
- Curriculum 😂
- Mission and Operation

The IRC reports on its findings, utilizing the following reports and materials:

- SASPIRE
 Report/Database
 (including ASLO)
- Comparative Programs' Materials



External Consultant (EC)

- Reviews documents
- Visits the campus
 - Meets with administration, faculty, IRC committee and students
 - Meets with NSU's senior administration,
 Academic Review Executive Director and the ARC chairperson
- Reports on findings



Academic Review Committee (ARC) Subcommittee

- ARC chairperson appoints a subcommittee from the members of the ARC to review and compare the IRC and EC reports
- Subcommittee provides ARC with a Proposed Summary of Recommendations for the ARC to make to the President



Academic Review Committee (ARC) Full Committee

- The full ARC committee meets to review and evaluate proposed recommendations
- Finalize the ARC's Summary of Recommendations to the President



President's Meeting

The President

- Reviews ARC's Summary and Recommendations to President
- meets with Provost & VPAA,
 Dean/Program Director, Academic Review
 Executive Director and the ARC
 chairperson
- Requests 5 year Action Plan



Action Plan

- Dean submits Action Plan
- Program provides Annual Progress Report on the Action Plan



