

NAAB RESPONSE TO SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY 2008 ANNUAL REPORT

Rec'd Date: December 5, 2008
Year of Next Visit: 2014

Section One: Checklist of required elements

Part I Statistical Report	√Included	Not Included
Part II Narrative Report	√Included	Not Included

Section Two: Assessment of Narrative Report

DEFICIENCIES

Condition 6: Human Resources

The program is requested to continue reporting on this condition especially with regards to the IT support and additional administrative support.

Criterion 31: Professional Development

The program is requested to continue reporting on this criterion and provide course syllabi as requisite to demonstrate evidence.

CAUSES OF CONCERN

Growth and Financial Resources

The program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern; in particular, please report on the request to the Board of Regents for a tuition differential.

Administrative Staff

The program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern especially with regards to the IT support and additional administrative support.

Student opportunities

The program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern; why must the program credit limit be increased to provide flexibility? Are there other solutions that can address this cause of concern.

Communication and governance challenges

The program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern.

Student retention and enrollment

The program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern; in particular, what strategies have been employed to monitor retention and manage enrollment.

Student advising and mentoring

The Board of Regents is to be applauded for mandating that all faculty members participate in the formal advisement and mentoring of students, but the program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern; in particular, what is being done to establish a more formal structure for advising.

Mentoring tenure-track faculty

The program is requested to continue reporting on this cause of concern; in particular, what is being done to structure the mentoring of tenure-track faculty.

† Although an area may be marked "satisfied, no further reporting required," the next visiting team may include in its report its own assessment of the program's response to the deficiency.

CHANGES TO THE ACCREDITED PROGRAM

Within the above mentioned cause of concern, the program reports that the continued strength in enrollment of students has resulted in a presidential decision to reopen the old architecture building and a new addition to it of \$4.9 million. The addition will approximately provide 14,000 sq. ft of additional studio, office and lecture space. This will provide much needed accommodation for the Design Foundation Program beginning in the fall 2010 semester.

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