



Mission, Planning, and Assessment Committee 2014-2015 Annual Report of Activities June 30, 2015

Committee Charges:

The charges of the MPA Committee as outlined the ULM College of Pharmacy Bylaws were to:

- 1) Link COP activities with the mission of the college
- 2) Coordinate strategic planning to accomplish mission and goals
- 3) Use assessment data to guide the evolution of the mission and strategic plan
- 4) Communicate strategic planning via COP website
- 5) Review assessment cycle, plan, and map
- 6) Recommend assessment changes to the Dean
- 7) Evaluate assessment data and provide reports to appropriate committees
- 8) Coordinate assessment initiatives with the Associate Dean of Assessment

Committee Members:

Dr. Lance Nickelson, Chair
Dr. Girish Shah
Dr. Ron Hill

Dr. Elizabeth Lafitte
Dr. Scott Baggaly
Dr. Susan Sirmans

Dr. Blair Wilbert

Dr. Gina Biglane, Administrative Liaison

Meeting dates:

2014: July 20, August 26, September 16, October 21, November 18, December 16

2014: January 20, March 17, April 14, May 19, June 23

Month	Synopsis	Comments
July 2014	New committee members were introduced. The committee finalized ILS-V and ILS-VI artifacts with link to curricular outcomes. Final report then forwarded to Dr. Biglane.	None
August 2014	The latest AACF faculty survey was reviewed by the committee. Items of note included: committee felt improved communication between faculty and administration is necessary, issues with recruitment discussed and faculty development.	It does appear communication is improving as evidenced by adoption of curricular review plans initiated by faculty. Also, despite limited monetary resources recruiting efforts are being strengthened.
September 2014	The committee reviewed the latest AACF graduating student survey. Items of note: Elective offerings improving, issue with P3 spring course load, academic advising and tutoring. Also the IPPE/APPE preceptor evaluations and student evaluation trend reports were reviewed and no issues were noted.	Items noted for improvement have been addressed by appropriate offices (OSPA). Will monitor future scores.
October 2014	The committee reviewed the AACF preceptor survey. No items of note as scores compare favorably with national and peer averages.	None
November 2014	The committee was presented with latest NAPLEX scores. At this time no specific recommendations were made by the MPA as it is well aware of the work underway by Curriculum and Admissions.	It appears there are numerous efforts including curricular review, review of admission criteria and other efforts underway to address the drop in NAPLEX success rate. The MPA will monitor outcomes and offer its assistance in these efforts.
December 2014	The committee had requested information from the ILS lab instructors regarding IV prep opportunities in the lab sequence and was informed that the number of opportunities have increased. The committee reviewed the proposed new MME policy.	It will be noted later than IV prep scores on the OSCEs have improved. The proposed MME policy reviewed has been replaced with another policy
January 2015	The Alumni survey results were reviewed. Items of note: relatively low number of responses (20 total). The committee notes the lack of alumni relations staff may drive lower scores than we would like. Items relating to curriculum, the committee feels are now being addressed. The Employer/Career Fair survey results were reviewed. Currently it is done every 2 years and the committee requests it be done yearly. Also, the MPA reviewed an internal Faculty survey to be conducted as follow up to the AACF faculty survey	Lack of alumni relations staff may need to be addressed when feasible. Committee will monitor items related to curriculum as curricular changes are underway. Employee/career fair survey should be done yearly. Internal faculty survey was done and addressed at later meeting.
February 2014	No meeting	none

March 2014	The committee reviewed the comments from the internal faculty survey. The committee then sent a list of potential recommendations to the School's administration for consideration.	The list of potential recommendations and action items were sent to administration and presented at the April faculty meeting. This prompted discussion over several items with outcomes yet to be determined.
April 2014	The final version of the internal faculty survey memo was approved. Progression/attrition data was presented but MPA is not charged with formally developing a plan to address these issues at this time (Curricular summit being planned)	None as MPA not charged with development of progression plan at this time.
May 2014	The student focus group report and comments were reviewed. Specific comments relating to OSPA will be forwarded to that office for review. OSCE report was reviewed and notes that performance on the IV prep portion is improved and it was noted previously this year in MPA that ILS labs have addressed this. MME results were reviewed but substantial changes to the MME is forthcoming.	OSPA was sent the comments and replies will be reviewed in June meeting. MME to be changed substantially next year.
June 2014	OSPA response to focus group results was reviewed. The committee would like to recommend that OSPA look into providing financial aid information to the P4s regarding student loans before graduation. 2012 and 2013 progression data linked to admission data spreadsheet was reviewed. At this point the MPA sees no trends or sufficient strength of data to make recommendations regarding admissions or class size.	No recommendations made regarding admissions or class size. Suggestion to OSPA will be forwarded regarding student loans for P4s.