

## PROGRAM REVIEW Fall 2017

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**Program: Political Science**

**Division: CATTSS**

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**Audience:** Deans, Vice Presidents of Student Services and Academic Services, All Planning and Allocation Committees. This document will be available to the public.

**Uses:** This Program Review will be used to inform the campus and community about your program. It will also be used in the processes of creating Division Summaries, determining College Planning Priorities and allocating resources. A final use is to document fulfillment of accreditation requirements.

**Time Frame:** This Program Review should reflect on program status during the 2016-17 academic year. It should describe plans starting now and continuing through 2017-18. This document also provides the opportunity to describe more long-term plans (optional).

**Sections:** The first section of this Program Review focuses on general program reflection and planning. The second section is a review of curriculum. Only programs with curriculum need to complete Section 2. The third section is a CTE update, to be completed by CTE programs only.

**Topics:** A list of topics of particular interest to Program Review readers can be found here:

<https://goo.gl/23jrxt>

**Help:** Contact Karin Spirn: [kspirn@laspositascollege.edu](mailto:kspirn@laspositascollege.edu)

### **Instructions:**

- 1) Please respond to each question as completely as possible.
- 2) If the requested information does not apply to your program, write "Not Applicable."
- 3) Optional: Meet with your dean to review this document before October 13.
- 4) Send an electronic copy of this form to Karin Spirn and your Dean by October 16

### **Links:**

Program Review Home Page: <https://goo.gl/XATqjJ>

Fall 2016 Program Review Updates : <https://goo.gl/YV8QOt>

Frequently Asked Questions: <https://goo.gl/ilhRtt>

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## Section One: Program Snapshot

### A. Data Review: Describe any significant changes to your program’s data since last year’s Program Review Update (Fall 2016).

Possible sources of relevant information might include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Data generated by your program
- Data from the Office of Institutional Research (<https://goo.gl/b59nCy>)
- CEMC Data
- Labor Market Data
- SLO/SAO Data

<p>Fall Semester No significant changes.</p> <p>Spring Semester The one Full-time faculty member was on banked leave; use of adjuncts, number of sections and may have effected enrollment.</p>
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### B. Changes to Program and Needs: Describe any significant changes to your program or your program’s needs since the previous Program Review Update (Fall 2016).

<p>Updates in progress for C-ID, state mandated transfer curriculum, as well as updating course outlines/curriculum for every course offered: 7, 12, 20, 25, 30.</p> <p>During the past academic year we clarified SLO’s, by developing and revising for each discipline Pol Sci course: 7, 12 20, 25, 30.</p> <p>Beginning Spring, 2018, new full-time faculty hire in Pol Sci will have impact on program, including enrollment management as we try to understand a balance in the number and type of courses to be offered, including DE offerings.</p>	<p>Mark an X next to each area that is addressed in your response.</p> <p>Definitions of terms: <a href="https://goo.gl/23jrxt">https://goo.gl/23jrxt</a></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="width: 10%;"></td><td>Community Partnerships/Outreach</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">XX</td><td>Curriculum*</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">XX</td><td>Enrollment Management</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>External Factors</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Facilities,** Supplies and Equipment (Including Software)</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Financial/Budgetary</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">XX</td><td>Human Resources</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Learning Support</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>LPC Planning Priorities <a href="https://goo.gl/LU99m1">https://goo.gl/LU99m1</a></td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Pedagogy</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Professional Development</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Services to Students</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">XX</td><td>SLO/SAO Process</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Technology Use</td></tr> </table> <p>*Curriculum will also be addressed in Part 2 (Curriculum</p>		Community Partnerships/Outreach	XX	Curriculum*	XX	Enrollment Management		External Factors		Facilities,** Supplies and Equipment (Including Software)		Financial/Budgetary	XX	Human Resources		Learning Support		LPC Planning Priorities <a href="https://goo.gl/LU99m1">https://goo.gl/LU99m1</a>		Pedagogy		Professional Development		Services to Students	XX	SLO/SAO Process		Technology Use
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**C. Reflection: What plans from the [2016 Program Review Update](#) or any [previous Program Reviews/Updates](#) have been achieved and how?**

<p>Will continue to develop and improve SLOs, which was among the priorities for the program last year.</p> <p>New full-time faculty hire in Pol Sci (beginning Spring, 2018) will bring unforeseen changes on the program, as new hire may want to expand areas (e.g. community partnerships, pedagogy, etc...)</p>	Mark an X next to each area that is addressed in your response.				
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**D. Impacts to Students (Optional): Discuss at least one example of how students have been impacted by the work of your program since the last Program Review Update (only if you did not already answer this in Questions A, B or C).**

<p>Course outline updates will help other areas, such as LPC global studies program.</p>	Mark an X next to each area that is addressed in your response.			
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**E. Obstacles: What obstacles has your program faced in achieving plans and goals?**

<p>Single member department makes meeting all administrative duties unrealistic. Unfortunately, have not had time to develop more opportunities for the program or students. New full-time hire will help to alleviate much of this</p>	<p>Mark an X next to each area that is addressed in your response.</p>																												
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**F. Short Term Planning: What are your most important plans (either new or continuing) for next year?**

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**G. Long Term Planning (Optional): Please detail any long-term plans for the next 3-5 years. (Only if you have significant plans, such as implementation of a grant project, creation of long-term initiatives including those using restricted funds such as Equity or SSSP, construction and outfitting of a new building).**

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H. Do you have any facilities needs that are currently unmet? If yes, please describe.

None at present.

I. Mission: Explain how your program’s plans and accomplishments support the mission of Las Positas College:

*Las Positas College is an inclusive learning-centered institution providing educational opportunities and support for completion of students’ transfer, degree, basic skills, career-technical, and retraining goals.*

Supports “mission” by providing “educational opportunities” and supporting transfer and degree programs as well as other programs, such as global studies.

J. Program-Set Standard (Instructional Programs Only): Did your program meet its program-set standard for successful course completion?  yes  no

(This data can be found here: <https://goo.gl/b59nCy>)

If your program did not meet your program-set standard, discuss possible reasons and how this may affect program planning or resource requests.

**K. SLO/SAO Reflection:** Describe an example of how your program used course SLO data (CSLOs), Student Service Area Outcome (SAO) data or Program SLO data (PSLOs) from last year (2016-17) to impact student learning or achievement. Focus on PSLOs or CSLOs where you have multiple semesters of data to analyze. (Copy the box below if you would like to discuss multiple examples.)

Course Name, Program Name or Student Service Area:
Text of the CSLO, SAO, or PSLO:
Describe the quantitative or qualitative results:
Discuss and reflect upon student achievement for this CSLO/PSLO/SAO. Discuss any actions taken so far (and results, if known) and your action plan for the future:
What changes in student achievement are evident across the semesters you analyzed? What are some possible explanations for these changes in student achievement?

**L. Plans for Analysis of SLO/SAO Data:** Identify the PSLOs, CSLOs, or SAOs that your program plans on focusing on the upcoming year with subsequent analysis. (Copy the box below as needed.)

Circle One: CSLO    PSLO    SAO
Course, Program Name, or Student Service Area:
Text of CSLO/PSLO/SAO:
If you plan on analyzing a PSLO, identify the CSLOs that feed into the PSLO that will need to be assessed.

**Section Two: Curriculum Review  
(Programs with Courses Only)**

The following questions ask you to review your program's curriculum. To see the last outline revision date and revision due date:

1. Log in to CurricUNET
2. Select "Course Outline Report" under "Reports/Interfaces"
3. Select the report as an Excel file or as HTML

**Curriculum Updates**

**A. Title V Updates:** Are any of your courses requiring an update to stay within the 5 year cycle? List courses needing updates below.

Currently in progress

**B. Degree/Certificate Updates:** Are any degrees/certificates requiring an update to do changes to courses (title, units) or addition/deactivation of courses? List needed changes below.

Currently in progress

**C. DE Courses/Degrees/Certificates:** Detail your department's plans, if any, for adding DE courses, degrees, and/or certificates. For new DE degrees and/or certificates (those offered completely online), please include a brief rationale as to why the degree/certificate will be offered online.

Currently in progress



**Section Three: CTE Updates  
(CTE Programs Only)**

**A. Labor Market Conditions:** Examine your most recent labor market data. Does your program continue to meet a documented labor market demand? Does this program not represent unnecessary duplication of other training programs in the college's service area? (Please note: your labor market data should be current within two years. Contact [Vicki Shipman](#) or the current CTE Project Manager for access to data).

**B. Advisory Boards:** Has your program complied with advisory board recommendations? If not, please explain.

**C. Strong Workforce Program Metrics:** Utilizing LaunchBoard, review the Strong Workforce Program Metrics. Review the data and then answer the following questions.

(Contact [Vicki Shipman](#) or the current CTE Project Manager for help accessing the data).

C1. Does your program meet or exceed the regional and state medians **for increased enrollments, completions, and/or transfer since your last program review**? If not, what program improvements may be made to increase this metric?

C2. Does your program meet or exceed the regional and state medians **for students gaining employment in their field of study**? If not, what program improvements may be made to increase this metric?

C3. Does your program meet or exceed the regional and state medians **for student employment rates after leaving the college**? If not, what program improvements may be made to increase this metric?

C4. Does your program meet or exceed the regional and state medians **for increased student earnings and median change in earnings**? If not, what program improvements may be made to increase this metric?