

Program Review at the University of Minnesota

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Purpose of Program Review

Primary outcomes include:

- an objective assessment of the health and vitality of our academic programs;
- recommendations that lead to programmatic improvement, from maintaining strengths to remedying weaknesses;
- alignment with institutional priorities and values.



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Additional benefits:

- opportunities for faculty to engage with and learn about programs outside their unit, leading to cross-collegiate and cross-disciplinary collaborations;
- opportunities for outside constituents to learn about the strengths of our programs, leading to enhanced external visibility and reputation of the University of Minnesota.



Program Review Guiding Principles

The program review process should be:

- Collaborative
- Comprehensive
- Developmental
- Value-added
- Sustainable
- Culturally sensitive
- Adaptive



“The intent is to do this **for** programs,
not **to** programs.”

—Scott Lanyon, Vice Provost and
Dean of Graduate Education



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