Academic Program Review Recommendations: Annual Progress Report

The purpose of the Annual Progress Report is to facilitate the tracking of progress made on program recommendations/goals and to identify and explain the addition of any new program goals not listed in the most recent Review.

1. Name of Program: General Education

2. List goals from most recent <u>Program Review</u> and report on progress for each goal:

Recommendation 1: Meet the recommendations of the individual programs in their appended reviews.

Progress: Discussed in individual progress reports

Recommendation 2: Revamp the program to align it more fully with its mission, especially its goals of providing a common experience and preparing students for the roles as citizens of the US and the world. By so doing, the General Education program would provide students with a better base for further pursuit of their educational goals and for success in their lives after graduation.

Progress: The Gen Ed review will address this issue in aligning the program with the guided pathways model.

Recommendation 3: It has taken over two years to complete this General Education Program Review. Significant revisions to the program are being recommended. Someone needs to over-see the Gen Ed program or do the work of integrating the 5 departments. That could mean that the college needs to reorganize its instructional structure and hire a director to oversee the program or perhaps elevate a faculty member to a new position, general education chair, and give them responsibility for overseeing the program as a whole in return for one course of release time.

Progress: Stephen Shwiff, a formal faculty member and Department Chair was hired as the Dean of General Education with all Gen Ed department under his guidance.

3. List any additional goals added since the most recent Program Review, and include the rationale for each new goal: