

Selected Goals from 2004-2005 Annual Reports

Unit: Academic Affairs

Strategic Plan Goal

With which 1 or 2 goals from the 8 current strategic plan goals does your 2004-2005 goal best align?

Goal 1 - High Quality Education

Unit Goal

What were your unit level goals for 2004-2005 as contained in your 2003-2004 Annual Report?

Strengthen the quality and integrity of undergraduate programs

What action did you undertake to achieve this goal?

- Established Undergraduate Affairs Committee and implemented committee recommendations
- Charged General Education Council to review and refine general education competencies and learning outcomes
- Developed Quality Enhancement Plan focused on improving student learning outcomes related to ecological perspective and community awareness

By what means did you assess goal achievement?

- Established Office of Curriculum and Instruction per Undergraduate Affairs Committee recommendation
- Appointed Associate Vice President for the Office of Curriculum and Instruction per Undergraduate Affairs Committee recommendation
- Reviewed and refined existing general education learning competencies
- Identified four new general education learning competencies
- Quality Enhancement Plan developed and met with overwhelming approval by SACS on site review team.

Describe the assessment results and the conclusions about goal attainment you inferred from them.

The establishment of an Office of Curriculum and Instruction and the appointment of an Associate Vice President to lead this new office within Academic Affairs demonstrates significant strides in strengthening and enhancing the activities and functions of undergraduate education -

What continuous improvement resulted from the use of the assessment data?

The Office of Curriculum and Instruction will be responsible for managing the seamless

integration and coordination of Curriculum, Program Development, General Education, Service Learning, Freshman Convocation and Curriculum Systems and has oversight over the First-Year Experience, Learning Academy, Writing Center, Honors Program, Center for Academic Achievement, Center for Civic Engagement, and the Quality Enhancement Plan. The opportunity to plan and implement curricular experiences for undergraduate education from a university-wide perspective moves the institution forward in its vision to achieve national prominence in undergraduate education.
