

UAR NUMBER: 109.01

TITLE: Academic Program Competencies

ORIGINATOR: Vice President for Academic Affairs

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REVISION DATES:

PURPOSE: To establish the following requirements for the academic programs in all departments:

1. that each academic department state specific competencies to be met by program graduates.
2. that these competency statements be available to students in in departmental offices.
3. that the program faculty develop an appropriate system for assessing students' accomplishment of the stated competencies.
4. that the results of student assessment be used in program planning and revision decisions.

PROCEDURAL REFERENCES:

Other - Assessing Program Effectiveness

SCOPE (Who is covered by this UAR?): All undergraduate and graduate academic programs in all departments.

DESCRIPTION:

Definitions: Academic programs are those on the Council of Higher Education's listing of programs for Morehead State University.

Competency statements are statements that articulate the knowledge and/or skills that program faculty expects students who have completed the program to possess; they are the expected educational results of the program.

Implementation: The department chair, in concert with the program faculty, is responsible for the formulation of competency statements for each program, for the distribution of the statements to interested students, and for the assessment of students' competencies.

The Dean of Undergraduate Programs, in conjunction with the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee and the college deans and department chairs, is responsible for the monitoring and recording of program competency statements and for the monitoring and recording of the quality of all undergraduate programs through assessment and outcomes measures.

All departments must have two documents on file in the Office of the Undergraduate Dean: competency statements for each program and a description of the way each competency will be assessed. Both the statements and the assessments may be revised as needed with notifications of the changes reported to the Undergraduate Dean. The results of assessment will be included in all program review processes.

The Dean of Graduate Programs, in conjunction with the Graduate Curriculum Committee and the college deans and department chairs, is responsible for the monitoring and recording of program competency statements and for the monitoring and recording of the quality of all undergraduate programs through assessment and outcomes measures.

All departments must have two documents on file in the Office of the Graduate Dean: competency statements for each program and a description of the way each competency will be assessed. Both the statements and the assessments may be revised as needed with notifications of the changes reported to the Graduate Dean. The results of assessment will be included in all program review processes.

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