## California State University, Long Beach Preparing for your Program Review Report Guidelines for Accredited Programs

The CSULB Academic Policy on Program Review requires all degree-granting programs, including nationally and regionally accredited programs, to undergo periodic program review.

This sheet will provide guidelines for your program to follow as it prepares for (re) accreditation.

- 1. Program Review follows your accreditation cycle, but not to exceed 10 years;
- 2. Spring term, the Vice Provost for Academic Programs notifies programs they are scheduled for review;
- 3. The accredited program schedules its site visit with its accrediting agency;
- 4. The accredited program sends the following documents to the Vice Provost for Academic Programs, the Coordinator of Program Review and Assessment, and the Chair of PARC:
  - a. Accreditation self-study;
  - b. Site visitors' report;
  - c. Preliminary letters and correspondence from accrediting body;
  - d. Response(s) to accreditation correspondence;
  - e. Accreditation action letter regarding the request for accreditation;
  - f. PARC Checklist (<u>http://www.csulb.edu/sites/default/files/groups/program-review-and-assessment/parc\_checklist\_for\_accredited\_programs.doc</u>) that indicates where CSULB program information can be found within the accreditation materials.
- 5. Once these documents are received, PARC will assign a University Program Review Committee (UPRC) to review the material and produce a report with recommendations to the Council. This process should occur within one semester after receipt of the final accreditation report.
- 6. Once complete, the UPRC report will be sent to the program for fifteen working days. Programs have the opportunity to correct any factual errors at this point.
- 7. PARC will schedule a time certain for presentation of the report to which representatives from the department and the College Dean are invited.
- 8. After PARC accepts the UPRC report and all of the accreditation documents, the Vice Provost of Academic Programs begins drafting the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

\*If you have any questions regarding this process or filling out the PARC checklist, please contact David Sheridan, Coordinator of Program Review & Assessment: <u>David.Sheridan@csulb.edu</u>.