

2015 HLC Focus Visit

February 16-17 2015





HLC Process at UA: Compliance and Continuous Improvement





Team Report (4/10/13)

Focus visit in the spring of 2015 was recommended:

Governance

 "continues to be a need for attention to the role of shared governance groups in planning, particularly with respect to administrative and budget/fiscal operations."

Assessment

 "the institution is still not where it needs to be with respect to assessment in several areas of performance including student learning objectives."



IAC Action Memo (7/11/13)

Focus visit required to:

Governance

 evaluate "the relationships and roles of faculty in shared institutional governance."

Assessment

 assure that "each graduate and undergraduate academic major and the general education program have assessment programs in place that include: 1) the skills and concepts to be mastered, 2) the assessment methods employed 3) the results of the assessment, and 4) how the assessment results are being used to improve each of the programs."



5.B. The institution's governance and administrative structures promote effective leadership and support collaborative processes that enable the institution to fulfill its mission.

2. The institution has and employs policies and procedures to engage its internal constituencies including its governing board, administration, faculty, staff, and students—in the institution's governance.

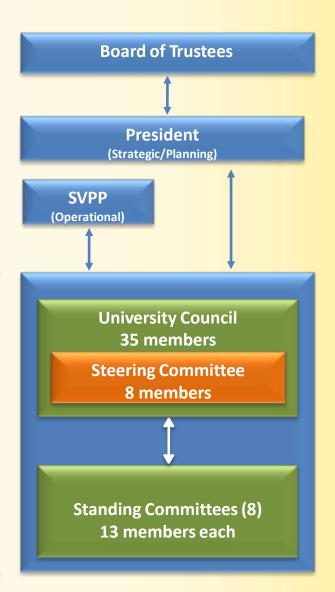
3. Administration, faculty, staff, and students are involved in setting academic requirements, policy, and processes through effective structures for contribution and collaborative effort



University Council Structure

Constituent Groups Represented on the University Council

- Undergraduate Student Government
- Contract Professionals Advisory Committee
- Deans
- Department Chairs/School Directors
- Faculty Senate
- Graduate Student Government
- Staff Employee Advisory Committee
- Vice Presidents



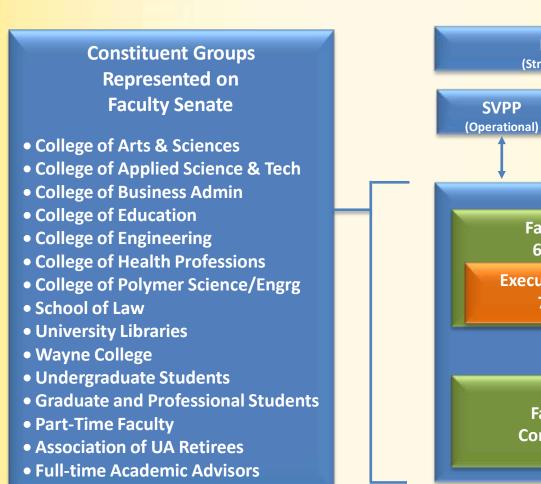


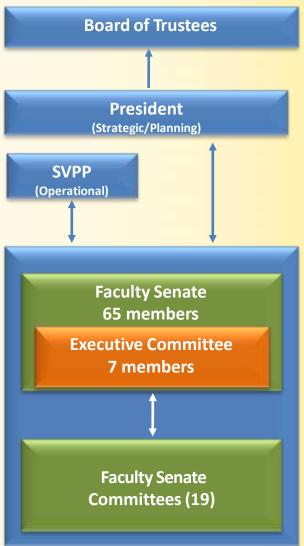
University Council Standing Committees:

- Comprised of 104 members, are elected or selected by each constituency group.
- Budget and Finance
- Communications
- Information Technology
- Physical Environment
- Public Affairs and Development
- Recreation and Wellness
- Student Engagement and Success
- Talent Development and Human Resources



Faculty Senate Structure







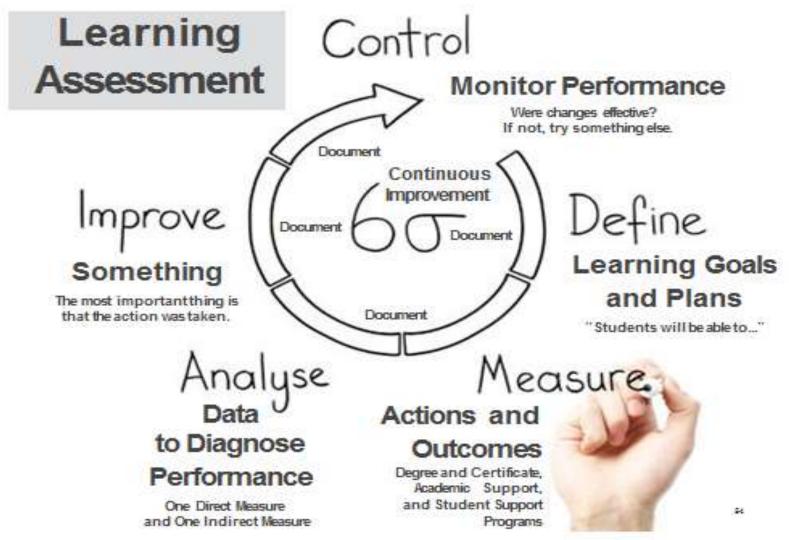
Faculty Senate Committees:

- Executive
- Academic Policies
- Accessibility
- Athletics
- Computer & Communications Technology
- Curriculum Review
 - University Review Committee
 - General Education Advisory Committee
 - Distance Learning Review Committee
- Faculty Research
- Faculty Rights & Responsibilities
- Part-time Faculty
- Reference
- Student Affairs
- University Libraries



- Faculty Senate continues to perform its role in governance on academic matters in accordance with the bylaws enacted by the Board of Trustees.
- University Council currently operates under a set of proposed bylaws that have not yet been approved by the Board of Trustees.







- Summer/Fall 2013: CAS Assessment Committee formed
- Assessment website established
- Committee members work directly with CAS departments
- Council of Deans and Provost briefed on assessment plan development
- Assessment Plans reviewed and implemented by CAS



- Spring/Summer 2014: University-wide assessment committee formed
- Assessment committee co-chair works directly with departments outside of CAS
- Assessment plans reviewed and implemented university-wide; units collect assessment data
- Annual report template developed and distributed to all colleges



Fall 2014

- Professional Development seminars conducted through Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL)
- September 15th: Annual assessment reports due for all programs
- Review and feedback of reports in progress
- October 9th:Draft learning outcomes and assessment report to Provost



Focus Visit Timeline

September 2014

Task Committees with writing assignments

• October 9, 2014

Assessment & Governance drafts due

- October 13-27, 2014
- November 1, 2014
- January 12, 2015
- February 16-17, 2015
- March 2015

Comment period (Campus & Consultant)

Finalize & submit to HLC

Public notice of site visit

HLC Site Visit

Assessment consultant visit-TBD



Questions & Discussion