

Assessment of Enhancing Student Learning Through a Program Review

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Purpose

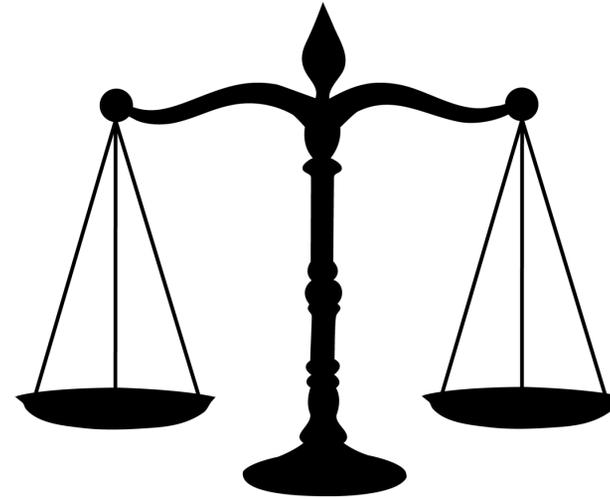
The office of Judicial Affairs is responsible for ensuring a fair, just, and impartial disciplinary process for students charged with violation the Student Code of Conduct. Judicial Affairs strives to be a supportive department that is a resource to the campus community. The goal of the program review was to assess the efficiency and effectiveness of the Judicial Affairs department.

The following are some of the areas within Judicial Affairs that the external reviewers focused on:

- Programs and services
- Campus and external relations
- Culture of evidence and compliance to legal and ethical standards

Methodology

The review process included interviews with Judicial Affairs staff and assorted campus partners also; the CAS Standards for Student Conduct Programs and Judicial Affairs materials were analyzed.



Findings

The program review found strengths and areas of improvement for Judicial Affairs.

The following are some of the findings:

- Judicial Affairs uses a developmental philosophy of student contact
- Judicial Affairs should expanded their outreach to different departments on campus
- More annual reports should be developed to provide an overview of the academic years case load

Recommendations

The reviewers made multiple recommendations to improve Judicial Affairs functionality. The following are a few recommendations:

- Employment of an Assistant Director of Judicial Affairs, so the Director can commit more time to outreach, institutional projects, and committees
- Investment in a judicial database to improve reporting, identifying trends, and managing caseload data
- Coordinate with campus partners to analyze policies and ensure compliance

Implementations

The program review has enabled Judicial Affairs to make some immediate improvements and provided ideas for future and continuous improvement.

The following are some current implementations:

- Judicial Affairs is in the process of partnering with multiple departments on campus to purchase a judicial database to increase efficacy
- Judicial Affairs has increased outreach efforts to numerous programs and departments by providing more workshops and presentations for student, staff, and faculty