

University of Central Florida

Annual Report on Institutional Effectiveness

Pathways to Prominence

August 27, 2007





Overview

- institutional effectiveness at UCF
- enhancements made this year
- report on program assessment efforts
- report on program improvements
- national visibility in assessment
- next steps





UCF's Integrated Approach to Institutional Effectiveness



<u>linkages</u>

- share information
- inform budget process

<u>differences</u>

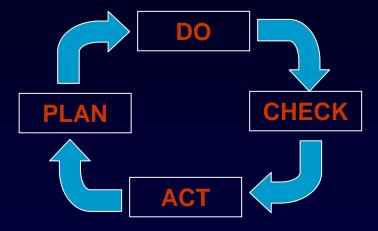
- different cycles
- additional data elements
- different purposes
 - continuous improvement
 - evaluation
 - planning





Program Assessment

- formative evaluation process designed to support improvement
- continuous



- focused on improving
 - student-learning
 - student development
 - services and operations





Assessment at UCF

SACS reaffirmation visit, little evidence of assessment

University Assessment
Committee
established, SACS
accepts UCF report

Web-based submission and review, Divisional Review Committees, Web access to surveys Academic Learning Compacts integrated

1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007

Nichol's model Is adopted

Programs asked to conduct assessment annually and submit for review every three years

OEAS Office is established and President announces annual review cycle SACS reaffirmation, emphasis on evidence of learning





2006-2007 Enhancements

- emphasis on continual improvement of assessment
- Quality Enhancement Plan assessment
- increased use of direct evidence of student-learning
- increased emphasis on use of results for improvement
- FCTL and OEAS assessment workshops
- assessment training for coordinators and Divisional Review Committee members
- stronger role of Divisional Review Committees





Emphasis on Quality and Improvement

Academic Divisional Review Committees

- College of Arts and Humanities
- College of Business Administration
- College of Education
- College of Engineering and Computer Science
- College of Health and Public Affairs
- College of Sciences
- Specialized colleges: Rosen College of Hospitality
 Management, The Burnett College of Biomolecular
 Sciences, academic programs in graduate studies and
 undergraduate studies; next year the College of Nursing
 and College of Medicine will be included
- General Education Program foundations





Emphasis on Quality and Improvement

Administrative Divisional Review Committees:

- Administration and Finance Division
- Community Relations and University Relations
- Marketing, Communications, and Admissions
- Office of Research and Commercialization
- Office of the President
- Provost's Office A (deans' offices, regional campuses)
- Provost's Office B (computer services and telecommunications, planning and evaluation, graduate studies, undergraduate studies)
- Student Development and Enrollment Services





Report on Assessment Efforts and Improvements

- 2006-2007 participation
- Divisional Review Committee roles
- assessment success stories
 - academic programs
 - administrative units
- efforts to increase national reputation
- planned enhancements for 2007-2008





Participation and Improvement

- participation in 2005-2006 results reporting
 - 212 academic programs, 5 general education foundations
 - 103 administrative units
- participation in 2006-2007 plan development
 - 216 academic programs 4 new, 5 general education foundations
 - 103 administrative units
- Divisional Review Committee
 - each committee has 5-12 members
 - DRC chair is representative on the University Assessment Committee



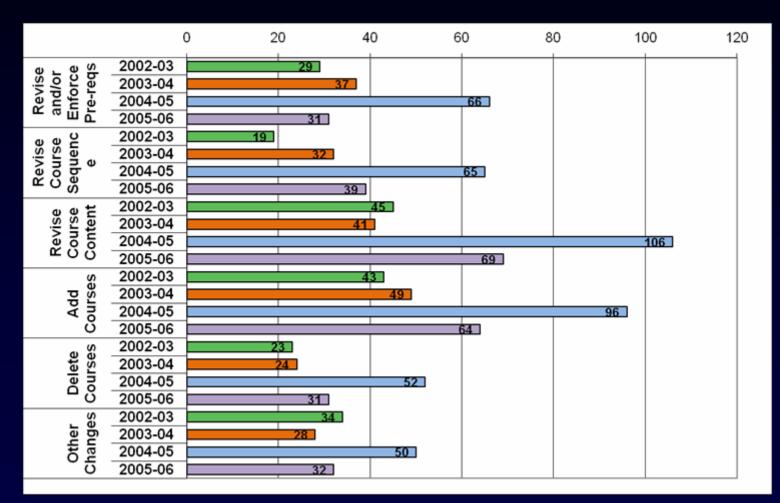


Roles of Divisional Review Committee

- review assessment results
 - offer feedback, suggestions
 - evaluate results reporting (complete, tied to improvement)
 - compare use of results with previous year
- review assessment plans
 - offer feedback, suggestions
 - evaluate plan (complete, potential for improvement)
 - compare plan with previous year

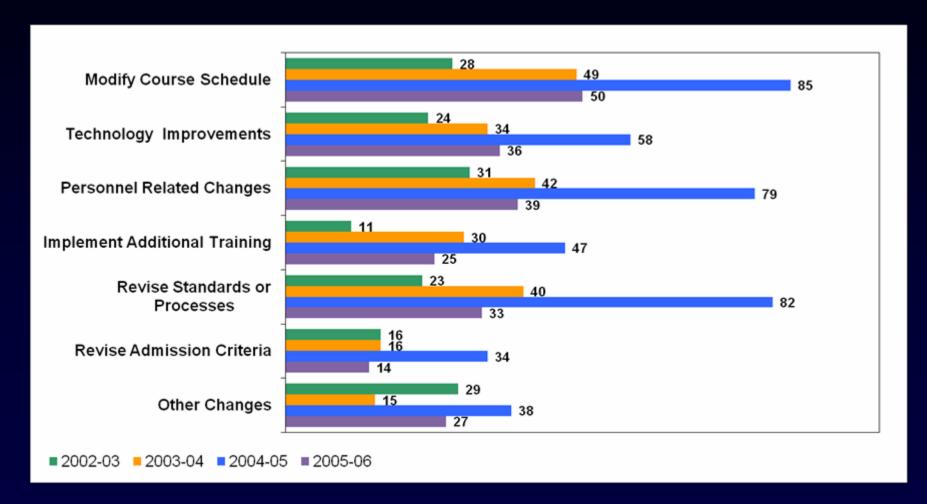


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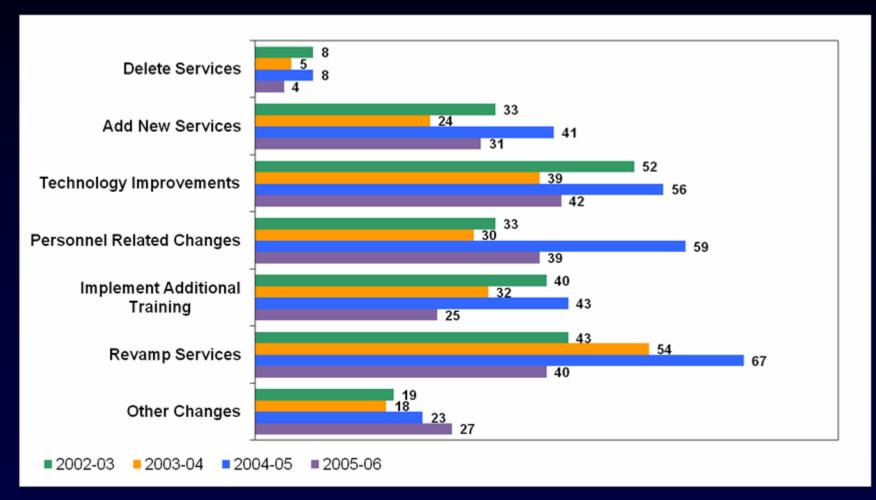
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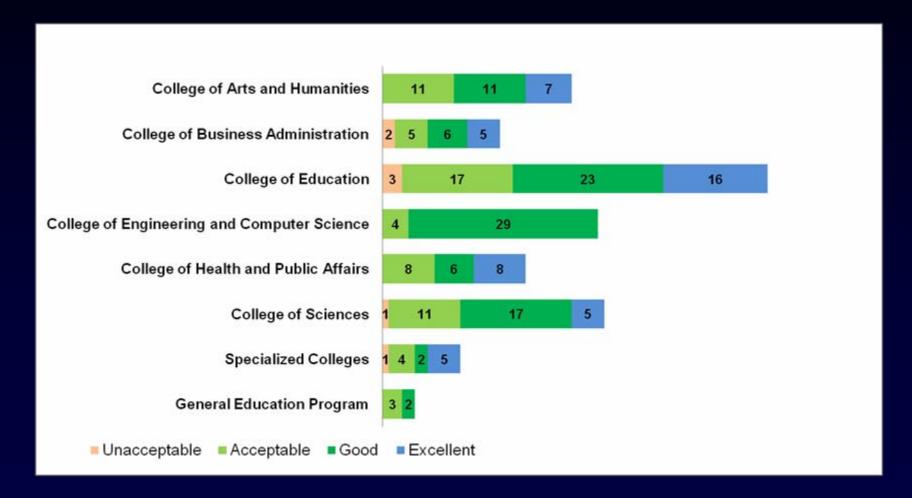
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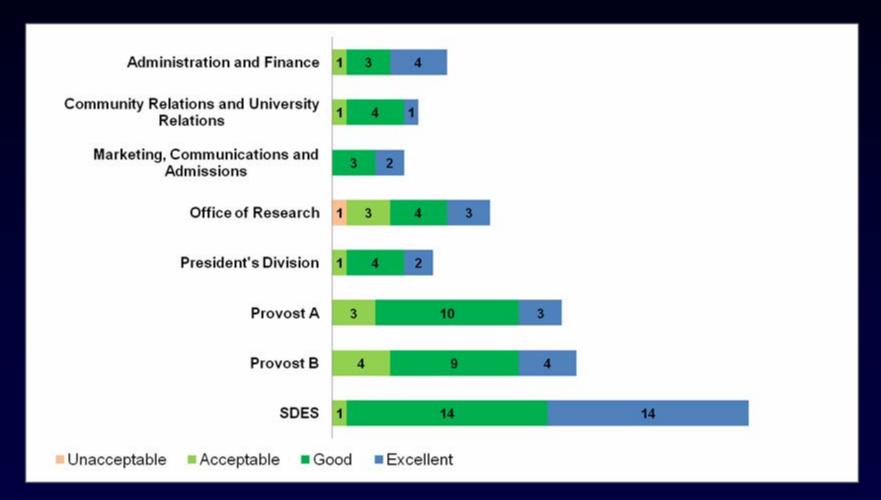
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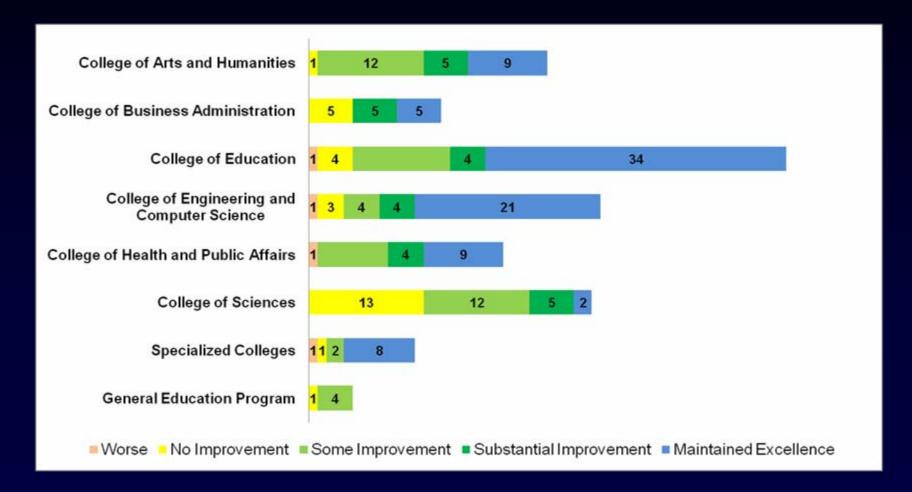
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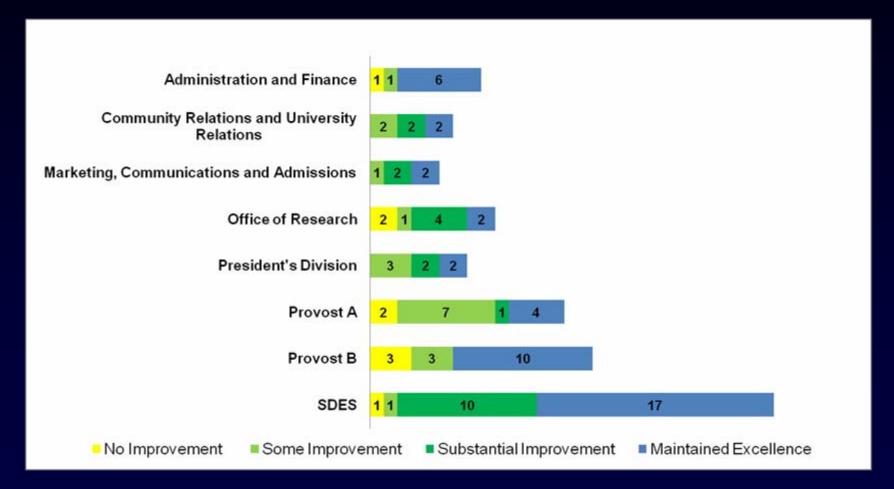
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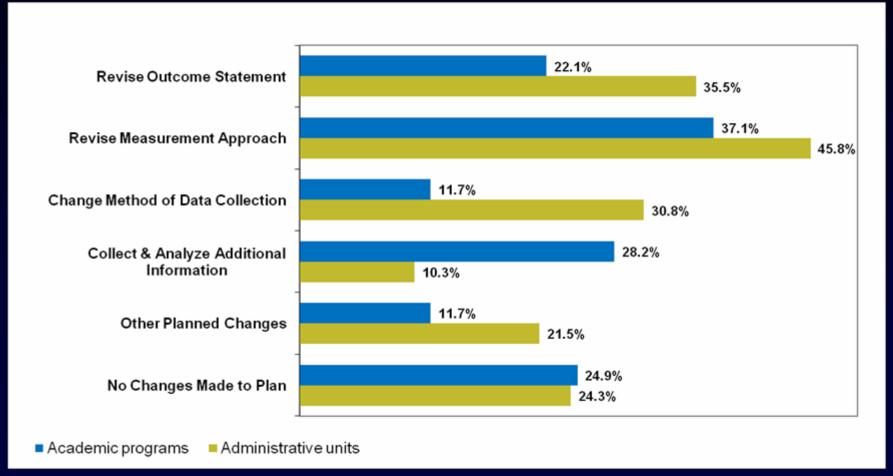


2005-2006 DRC Comparison of Administrative Unit Results





Changes in 2006-2007 Plan for Academic Programs and Administrative Units







Examples of Quality Improvements

- College of Engineering and Computer Science
 - dean's office
- College of Arts and Humanities
 - English, B.A. and M.A.: literature, technical writing, creative writing
 - dean's office
- College of Education
 - 11 undergraduate state-approved initial teacher preparation programs
 - student affairs office





Examples of Quality Improvements

- College of Health and Public Affairs
 - health sciences athletic training B.S.
- Rosen College of Hospitality Management
 - undergraduate programs: academic learning compacts and administrative strategic plan
- Office of the President
 - ombuds office
 - university audit





Examples of Quality Improvements

- Student Development and Enrollment Services
 - career services and experiential learning
 - student union
- Administration and Finance Division
 - facilities and safety: housekeeping—special services
 - energy and sustainability center
 - human resources





Increasing Our National Prominence in Assessment

- broader scope of national conference presentations
 - 15 workshops this year 5 versus 9 last year)
 - emphasis on depth of assessment capabilities for participants
 - wider range of venues (4 new conferences)
 - student affairs
 - faculty
 - discipline-specific
- consultations to state, national, and international universities
- increase in requests to use UCF's materials





Planned Enhancements for 2007-2008

- integrate Quality Enhancement Plan information fluency student-learning outcomes into program plans
- integrate General Education Common Theme studentlearning outcomes into program plans
- expand partnership with FCTL to reach more academic departments
- increase emphasis on evidence-based measures of learning outcomes in assessment plans
- deploy refined Web interface and data management system for assessment
- increase recognition for best practices
- maintain UCF's national reputation in assessment





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