

Jerry and Vickie Moyes College of Education

Department of Health Promotion and Human Performance

Health Promotion Program Review

Dean's Response

I appreciate all of the work that has gone into this program review. Thanks to the Health Promotion faculty for putting the Self-Study document together, the review team for reviewing the printed materials, for taking the time to meet with faculty, staff and students on campus, and for summarizing their findings for the program faculty. The feedback given by the review team members will be very helpful as the Health Promotion faculty continue their ongoing efforts towards program renewal and enhancement.

The site review team identified faculty load as a program challenge in their review. We have seen good growth in this program but feel that we are adding faculty and staff support as it becomes warranted. Two additional faculty members have been added to this program area in the past six years, with the latest coming on board in 2013/14. We have also added additional staff support to the HPHP department, which certainly is of benefit to the Health Promotion area. Also, alleviating some of the load stress is the interdisciplinary nature of the program, with courses from several other related areas contributing to the degree. Additionally, we have several readily available, very well qualified adjuncts who add their own strengths, and make a positive contribution to the program. On another point, faculty do recognize the value of CHES certification and are committed to the continued articulation of the CHES standards into program courses.

As mentioned in the program director's response, all other recommendations for improvement by the team are either under consideration, many with action plans already in place, or appropriate responses will be considered and acted upon by the department faculty over the course of the upcoming academic year. Dr. Turley will collect a full report on decisions made, and actions taken by the program faculty in response to this review, and will include it in her 2014/15 department annual report.

As Dean of the Jerry and Vickie Moyes College of Education I am strongly committed to the ongoing support of the Department of Health Promotion and Human Performance, the Health Promotion Program, faculty, staff, and students.

Again, thanks to all who have contributed to this program evaluation and kudos to the faculty, staff, and chair of the Department of Health Promotion and Human Performance for all the great work they do, and to Dr. Olpin, Dr. Eisenbarth, Dr. Cost and Dr Santurri for their outstanding dedication to the Health Promotion Program and their students.

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