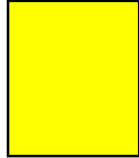


Vision 2020 Update – Academic Programs, Research Growth, Faculty Excellence and Rewards and Public Service

Overall Status



Goal III: Implement five degree programs that may be completed entirely online. Online options should address student interest along with current and anticipated business/industry demand.

Strategy A: Develop and implement a comprehensive plan to grow and support online offerings.

Recent Key Accomplishments

A comprehensive plan to grow and support online offerings, including online degree programs, has been created. This plan was approved by the WVSU Online Learning Advisory Committee (OLAC). As part of the plan, permission has been requested of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of North Central Association of Colleges and Schools to convert 3 existing degree programs to a 100 percent online format.

Upcoming Activities

As part of the University's efforts to offer 100 percent online degree programs, WVSU underwent an accreditation visit (change visit) by HLC on Dec. 8, 2014. As of this writing, the University is awaiting HLC final approval.

Faculty members will utilize a grant, created by Center for Online Learning, to create new online courses for the fully online degree programs.

Emerging Issues

Fully online courses need to be compliant with the Quality Matters (QM) online course format and reviewed by a WVSU faculty committee. As such, some courses need to be modified to adopt QM standards.

Solutions

The COL plans to investigate the need for more QM reviewers and train a cadre of faculty to help with QM reviews.

Upcoming Deliverables/Milestones

<u>Item</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Progress</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Item. HLC approval for 3 fully online degree programs	02/29/15		90%	As of this writing, the University awaits the final approval from HLC.
Item. Create online courses for new programs	05/15/15		50%	All the courses required for three online programs to begin in Fall 2015 will be completed by June 2015.