Program Review Guidelines for Programs that Hold Specialized Accreditation/Licensure

Programs that hold specialized accreditation/licensure from an appropriate external accrediting body may use this modified approach to Program Review provided that the accreditation/licensure is less than 2 years old (as established by the Illinois Board of Higher Education) from the date of the letter indicating accreditation/licensure.

What is outlined below is a transitional procedure, meant to serve as a guideline to make reporting more efficient for externally accredited programs until the Program Review process has been revised.

**Externally Accredited Programs: Please submit the following:**

- The date of the most recent accreditation/licensure, and the time period for which that accreditation is applicable. If the accreditation is more than 2 years old, please use the current Program Review Guidelines.
- The report to the accrediting body, as well as any accompanying appendices. Given the online nature of many accrediting processes, programs may submit a link to the report (and any password required for access) if it proves impossible to print it out. A printed copy is strongly preferred.
- The letter from the accrediting body reporting accreditation status.

**Crosswalk:** In lieu of completing all the current Program Review Guidelines, the accredited program may do the following:

- Using the UIS Program Review Guidelines Template, please indicate within that template the page numbers or links in the accreditation report that provide the information for each item required for Program Review.
- If you find items in the current Program Review Guidelines that are not addressed in the report submitted to the accrediting body, please provide answers to those items in the Program Review Guidelines Template and supply data as requested/relevant.
- If the program has a minor or certificate that is not included in the accreditation, please use the Program Review Guidelines that pertain to minors/certificates and submit requested information.

**Review Process:**

- After completing the crosswalk, the program should submit all materials for the regular Program Review Process to programreview@uis.edu. The Program Review Coordinator will forward this to the appropriate governance levels and track progress of the review.