

**University Assessment Committee
2009-2010 Academic Assessment Reports
Review of Reviews**

Department or School Evaluated: _____

UAC Member Representative Body (circle all that apply): CoAL, CoB, CoEP, CoH, CoST, FS, AC, GC

I concur with the evaluation of all program assessment reports in this department/school.

If the statement above is not marked, a second evaluation rubric has been completed and is attached for the following programs:

The purpose of the University Assessment Committee is to support the process of continual self-evaluation and improvement across all academic and administrative units at The University of Southern Mississippi. The committee's primary responsibility is to ensure that the institution complies with the Principles of Accreditation for Quality Enhancement published by the Southern Association for Colleges and Schools with regard to assessment as stated in Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.:

Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1 - Institutional Effectiveness

The institution identifies expected outcomes, assesses the extent to which it achieves these outcomes, and provides evidence of improvement based on analysis of the results in each of the following areas:

3.3.1.1 educational programs, to include student learning outcomes

3.3.1.2 administrative support services

3.3.1.3 educational support services

3.3.1.4 research within its educational mission, if appropriate

3.3.1.5 community/public service within its educational mission, if appropriate

Overall Assessment of Department or School's Assessment Reports:

The following reports do not support SACS Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.:

The following reports inadequately support SACS Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.:

The following reports adequately support SACS Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.:

The following reports should be commended as those which demonstrate the spirit of SACS Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.:

Reporting Recommendations

The University of Southern Mississippi will submit a Fifth-year Interim Report to SACS in March 2012. Three complete cycles of academic assessment reports will be provided as supporting documentation. Therefore, 2008-2009, 2009-2010, and 2010-2011 reports will be included. To strengthen the quality of these reports, the UAC recommends the following actions:

Two-Year Assessment Plans

The University of Southern Mississippi follows a two-year planning and annual reporting cycle. With this cycle, assessment plans are in place for two years, action plans are developed every two years, and assessment reports are annual.

UAC reviewer comments regarding 2010-2011 & 2011-2012 Assessment Plans (Mission, Student Learning Outcomes, Measures, and Targets):