

Appendix III
Columbus State University Comprehensive Program Review Evaluation for the
Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science Reviewed by Dr. Cheryl Smith, Dr. Brian Schwartz, Dr. Katey Hughes

Section Two - Indicators of Program Quality

		Rating Category			Observations
II. Summary Findings of Program's Overall Quality					
Self-Study		Very Strong			
Review Team		Very Strong	Review Team Observations:		The review team agrees with the findings of the self-study with strengths noted in quality of teaching, faculty, research and scholarship and service. Exercise Science is a robust program with exceptional faculty and is growing in student numbers.
CPR Committee		Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:		
II A. The Quality of Faculty					
Self-Study		Very Strong			
Review Team		Very Strong	Review Team Observations:		Faculty credentials are superb. Concern was expressed about the small number of faculty available for the growing program. At least 2 new faculty positions will be needed for undergraduate program growth and to teach in the new graduate courses. The self study describes the diversity of the faculty but uses the entire HPEX department in describing the diversity. The faculty of 3 white males in the Exercise Science program does not reflect diversity, in the opinion of the reviewers. The reviewers recommend that the newly created positions (when created and filled) strive to expand the diversity of full time faculty in the Exercise Science program.
CPR Committee		Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:		
II B. The Quality of the Teaching					
Self-Study		Very Strong			
Review Team		Very Strong	Review Team Observations:		There is evidence of effective teaching presented in Tables 8,9 and 10. However, the tables are hard to interpret as there are no labels denoting the year(s) when the surveys took place. Are these summative survey results for several semesters/years? This is not clear.
CPR Committee		Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:		
II C. The Quality of Research and Scholarship					
Self-Study		Very Strong			
Review Team		Very Strong	Review Team Observations:		Exceptional record of research and scholarship in spite of the small faculty available to teach in the program and limited resources.
CPR Committee		Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:		
II D. The Quality of Service					
Self-Study		Very Strong			
Review Team		Very Strong	Review Team Observations:		The faculty are doing their share of service to the department, college and university. 2 of the faculty serve as senators which is a time-consuming but very important job. A good record of service to the community is also noted.
CPR Committee		Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:		
II E. The Quality of Faculty and Student Achievements					
Self-Study		Satisfactory			
Review Team		Above Average	Review Team Observations:		For a small faculty, there is adequate recognition of faculty awards/honors in the Exercise Science program. The reviewers recommend that faculty nominate students for university and community awards whenever possible.
CPR Committee		Above Average	CPR Committee Observations:		
II F. The Quality of Curriculum					
Self-Study		Above Average			

Review Team	Above Average	Review Team Observations:	The program's curriculum and outcomes appear to reflect specific learning outcomes and achievement of these outcomes. However, the reviewers suggest the program use a major field assessment of some kind in order to compare student outcomes/program outcomes with other similar programs in the region and country. Also, multicultural perspectives in curriculum should be reflected in teaching/learning strategies. Instructor should include multicultural perspectives and not depend entirely on the diversity of the student population to present a multicultural look at various topics. It is also recommended that faculty explore options for students and faculty to participate in Study Abroad opportunities.
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CPR Committee	Above Average	CPR Committee Observations:	
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II G. The Quality of Facilities & Equipment

Self-Study	Satisfactory
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Review Team	Satisfactory	Review Team Observations:	There is evidence of quality facilities and equipment. However, with the passage of time and increased numbers in the program, upgrades, improvements and an increase in the equipment will be needed. Space will become an issue with the masters program beginning and increase in numbers for undergraduate program. Additional laboratory space will be needed as well as upgrades to the lab equipment.
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CPR Committee	Satisfactory	CPR Committee Observations:	
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Section Three - Indicators of Program Productivity

	Rating Category		Observations
III. Summary Findings of Program's Overall Productivity			

Self-Study	Very Strong
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Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	Enrollment in the Exercise Science program continues to increase. The number of degrees awarded has increased. The cost effectiveness of instructional delivery is good with reasonable program costs.
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CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	
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III A. Enrollment in Program for Past 5 Years

Self-Study	Very Strong
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Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	The Exercise Science program continues to increase in numbers, with the number of faculty staying the same. This is a concern for the review team.
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CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	
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III B. Degrees Awarded Over the Past 5 Years

Self-Study	Very Strong
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Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	The number of degrees awarded have increased slightly over the past 5 years but the numbers should increase due to an increase in the number of students enrolled in the program.
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CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	
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III C. Comparison With CSU & USG Programs

Self-Study	Above Average
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Review Team	Above Average	Review Team Observations:	It was difficult to compare CSU with other USG programs as there is only 1 fully functional program similar to CSU and another beginning. This category is hard to evaluate due to the lack of comparable programs and data.
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CPR Committee	Above Average	CPR Committee Observations:	
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III D. Program Retention Rate

Self-Study	Satisfactory
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Review Team	Above Average	Review Team Observations:	As far as the reviewers could assess, the program retention rate is good. However, Table 22 is unclear. More information should be provided, including the years delineated. More explanation of the percentages is needed. Is the last column an average? Also, provide a narrative below the table to further explain the table would increase understanding of the purpose. Another table to compare own average and the university average would also help in explaining this category.
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CPR Committee	Above Average	CPR Committee Observations:	73.3%
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III E. Student Learning Indicators

Self-Study	Satisfactory		
Review Team	Satisfactory	Review Team Observations:	A major field assessment or some other type of assessment will help standardize the indicators beyond CSU.
CPR Committee	Satisfactory	CPR Committee Observations:	

III F. Graduation Rate of Program

Self-Study	Satisfactory		
Review Team	Above Average	Review Team Observations:	Graduation rates are increasing and should continue to increase. It would be helpful in Table 23 to designate the years as cohorts.
CPR Committee	Above Average	CPR Committee Observations:	

III G. Cost-Effectiveness of Instructional Delivery

Self-Study	Very Strong		
Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	Exercise Science program costs are very reasonable making the instructional costs low.
CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	

Section Four - Program Viability

	Rating Category		Observations
IV A. Summary Findings of Program's Overall Viability			
Self-Study	Very Strong		
Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	Exercise Science is a growing program. There is a concern about the number of faculty presently in the program. There is no room for growth and not enough faculty to sustain undergraduate and graduate programs.
CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	
IV B. Summary Findings of Program's Improvement Plans			
Self-Study	Very Strong		
Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	The reviewers strongly encourage the addition of 2 new faculty to address a possible faculty shortage with the increase in student numbers in the undergraduate program and the beginning of the new graduate program.
CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	The faculty in the program is comprised of 3 male faculty members so diversity of faculty members should be considered as future searches are conducted.

