### Appendix III Columbus State University Comprehensive Program Review Evaluation for the **Bachelor of Science - Information Technology**

## Section Two - Indicators of Program Quality

**CPR Committee** 

Satisfactory

### **Rating Category** Observations Summary Findings of Program's Overall Quality II. Self-Study Very Strong Review Team Review Team Observations: We believe there exists an opportunity to better involve students with the high school mentoring and Very Strong outreach initiatives. This could involve lab assistants/mentors and provide service-learning opportunities. **CPR** Committee CPR Committee Observations: Very Strong The Quality of Faculty Self-Study Very Strong Review Team Very Strong Review Team Observations: **CPR** Committee Very Strong CPR Committee Observations: II B. The Quality of the Teaching Self-Study Above Average Review Team Above Average Review Team Observations: **CPR** Committee Above Average **CPR Committee Observations:** II C. The Quality of Research and Scholarship Self-Study Very Strong Review Team Very Strong Review Team Observations: **CPR Committee** Very Strong CPR Committee Observations: II D. The Quality of Service Self-Study Very Strong Review Team Very Strong Review Team Observations: Very Strong **CPR Committee** CPR Committee Observations: The Quality of Faculty and Student Achievements II E. Self-Study Very Strong Very Strong Review Team Observations: Review Team **CPR** Committee CPR Committee Observations: Very Strong The Quality of Curriculum Above Average Self-Study Review Team Above Average Review Team Observations: **CPR** Committee Above Average **CPR Committee Observations:** II G. The Quality of Facilities & Equipment Self-Study Satisfactory Satisfactory Review Team Observations: Review Team

CPR Committee Observations:

# Section Three - Indicators of Program Productivity

Above Average

Self-Study

		Rating Category		Observations				
III.	Summary Findings of Pr	ogram's Overall Productivity						
	Self-Study	Satisfactory						
	Review Team		Review Team Observations:					
		Satisfactory		We believe the program should examine the causes of the number of degrees awarded and graduation rate and address the underlying causes of these issues				
	CPR Committee	Satisfactory	CPR Committee Observations:					
III A.	Enrollment in Program for	or Past 5 Years						
	Self-Study	Above Average						
	Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:					
	CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:					
III B.	Degrees Awarded Over the Past 5 Years							
	Self-Study	Satisfactory						
	Review Team	Below Average	Review Team Observations:					
	CPR Committee	Below Average	CPR Committee Observations:					
III C.	Comparison With CSU 8	& USG Programs						
	Self-Study	Satisfactory						
	Review Team	Satisfactory	Review Team Observations:					
	CPR Committee	Satisfactory	CPR Committee Observations:					
III D.	Progam Retention Rate							
	Self-Study	Satisfactory						
	Review Team	Satisfactory	Review Team Observations:					
	CPR Committee	Satisfactory	CPR Committee Observations:					
III E.	Student Learning Indicat	tors						
	Self-Study	Satisfactory						
	Review Team	Satisfactory	Review Team Observations:					
	CPR Committee	Satisfactory	CPR Committee Observations:					
III F.	Graduation Rate of Prog	ıram						
	Self-Study	Below Average						
	Review Team	Below Average	Review Team Observations:					
	CPR Committee	Below Average	CPR Committee Observations:					
III G.	Cost-Effectiveness of In	structional Delivery						
	Self-Study	Above Average						
	Review Team	Above Average	Review Team Observations:	We note the cost per credit hour is down $10\%$ over historical costs.				
	CPR Committee	Above Average	CPR Committee Observations:					
Section	Section Four - Program Viability							
IV A.	Summary Findings of Pr	Rating Category ogram's Overall Viability		Observations				

	Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	We have no recommendations for improving the program viability.
	CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	
IV B.	Summary Findings of Program's Improvement Plans			
	Self-Study	Above Average		
	Review Team	Very Strong	Review Team Observations:	
	CPR Committee	Very Strong	CPR Committee Observations:	

## Final Recommendations of the Review Team

## The external review team finds the following:

- 1. We believe the faculty should readdress the possibility of ABET accreditation
- 2. We support the need for additional faculty
  - a. It could be appropriate to consider a full-time non-tenured line that has an emphasis on student support and the outreach programs within the department
- 3. We believe the department should incentivize and support student recruitment and mentoring. This includes providing student transition guidance upon entering the program.
- 4. The department should explore the use of mini grants and course releases to stimulate quality research. In particular, this would benefit the graduate research course offering. The outreach program (including summer camps) is a true asset of the program and should receive continued financial support.

## **CPR** comments

This self-study is fabulous. It could be used as a benchmark or example for other departments during the self-study process. It includes statements of current standing for each of the indicators, as well as, suggestions/solutions for improvement when needed.

This CPR committee member agrees with the recommendations of the review team except for the possibility of ABET accreditation.