# Executive Summary for the BBA in Management Information Systems (MIS) Turner College of Business 2013-2014

## Major Findings of the Program's Quality and Productivity

- The Management Information Systems (MIS) major in the BBA program was deemed **satisfactory** or higher in every category including overall viability and program improvement plans, which were both rated as above average by the CPR committee.
- The overall viability of the MIS program is **above average**.
- Strong support is provided by the College's accreditation by AACSB.
- Further evidence of quality is noted in the student achievements on nationally normed tests and major field assessments.

## **List of Recommendations for Improving Program Quality**

Since RPG is an average rating, the program improvement plan should necessarily focus on improving RPG.

## **List of Recommendations for Improving Program Productivity**

While MIS is the smallest of the business majors, the productivity of the MIS faculty measured by student credit hours is high. Productivity increases will include three approaches:

- 1. Increase the number of majors by improving the reputation and attractiveness of the major
- 2. Improve RPG.
- 3. Increase the number of cross-listed courses and courses open to other majors.

## Conclusion about the Program's Viability at CSU

This program is viable because the demand for its graduates is strong and entry level salaries are attractive. Program viability was deemed **above average**.

## **Program Improvement Plan**

#### Initiatives to Be Implemented

- Improve internal marketing of major to general business and computer science students.
- The effectiveness of current instructional staffing will be reassessed relative to changing technology.
- Faculty expertise in Business Intelligence must be added to maintain currency of the curriculum.

- Invest in additional training for faculty.
- Modify curriculum based on recent benchmarking of other programs and employer feedback.
- Increase internships and experiential learning opportunities.

**Summary Recommendation:** *Maintain the Program at the Current Level*. Of the undergraduate business majors, MIS is the smallest and has suffered a decline in enrollment. There is, however, a strong market for MIS graduates and major local companies actively seek MIS graduates for employment. The College has designated the growth of the MIS program as a priority. A major curriculum overhaul is currently underway.