

November 3, 2017

To: Dylan Rodriguez, Chair

Riverside Division

From: Amit Roy-Chowdhury, Chair

Committee on Research

RE: Campus Review: [Report Review] Draft WASC Institutional Report

The Committee on Research reviewed the WASC report and the committee felt that it is clear, impassioned mean while maintaining a sense of self-awareness about weakness but at the same time highlighting a strong commitment to UCR's mission. The committee also noted several typos and felt that the Vice Chancellor of Diversity and Inclusion should be included in the report. The committee also felt that noting college differences between completion rates would be useful to have. Overall, the committee supports the report. Please find attached additional comments about the report.

Find below a list of other comments from the committee:

- para 23: line 7: 'teh' should be 'the'
- para 23: line 8: Teaching Assistants should be plural
- para 29: this is the first mention of the Highlanders, and I wondered if this should be referenced earlier so that the broad readership understand sooner that this is the UCR monika. (It suddenly leaped off the page and seemed a little out of place this far into the document.)
- para 32: should LGBT studies have a capital 'S' like the other Studies listed?
- para 43: should it be 'research intensive university' rather than 'research university intensive'?
- para 49 line 5: should it be 'associated with SOM'
- #34: Isn't Creative Writing also part of Medical Humanities?
- #58: "have been" should be "has been"
- #64: "program" should be "programs"
- #65: Clarify that these are programs for undergraduates.
- #108: Various professors across the disciplines, not just in math and science, are employing innovative pedagogy, including flipped classrooms. Also, you might mention here that the university's iLearn systems plays a key role in facilitating flipped classrooms.
- #17, page 10: We have already added about 100 full-time tenure track faculty members since 2013: I think the 100 number is from cluster hires only. There were more departmental hires, to the best of my knowledge. On #4 page 6, the number of faculty is mentioned as 650 in 2010.
- #72, page 28: Completion rates for PhD students are lower, at 50-60%. I think this varies widely by colleges. Since the numbers are low, some details on which colleges have the highest rates and which the lowest would be good to have.
- #87, page 33: While ABET is mentioned, there are no details on how the accreditation went. All BCOE depts. got 6 year accreditation in the last cycle, and the next review is coming up in the 2018-19 academic year.