

A Study of Undergraduate Political Science Program Review

1. Sources of Pressure to Assess Programs

- State mandate
- Accreditation Organizations
- Institution Administration
- Faculty

2. Nature of program Review

- To compare to that of a comparable organizational unit, or an established norm/quota, or a baseline of previous performance

3. Types of Program Review

- Summative Evaluation, Five-year Mandated Program Review
- Formative Evaluation, Annual program Assessment
- External or internal

4. Purposes of Evaluation

- To Judge Program outcome Merits
- To Use evaluation for improving the Program

5. Process of Program Evaluation

- Objectives
- Gathering Data
- Analyzing Data
- Comparing Data to Objectives
- Suggestions/Conclusion
- Implementation

6. Objectives

- Program Theory
- Can political Scientists agree upon some basic objectives for under graduate political science programs?

7. Activities

- Action Theory
- Can political scientists agree upon some basic activities to reach the basic objectives of undergraduate political science programs?

8. Tools Used in Evaluation

- Questionnaire, Tests, Interviews. Portfolio, capstone
- Quantitative and qualitative
- Reliability and validity

9. Faculty Roles

- As stakeholder
- As assessor
- As assessed
- As implementer
- Are they overburdened?