

# PROGRAM REVIEW

## Fairmont State Board of Governors

Program with Special Accreditation  Program without Special Accreditation

Date Submitted February 4, 2014


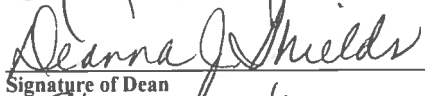

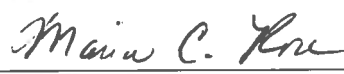
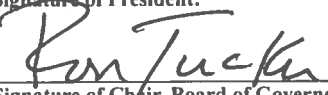
Program B.S. and B.A. in History  
Degree and Title

### INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION

The institution is obligated to recommend continuance or discontinuance of a program and to provide a brief rationale for its recommendation:

1. Continuation of the program at the current level of activity;
2. Continuation of program with corrective action (for example, reducing the range of optional tracks or merging programs);
3. Identification of the program for further development (for example, providing additional institutional commitment);
4. Development of a cooperative program with another institution, or sharing courses, facilities, faculty, and the like;
5. Discontinuation of the Program

Rationale for Recommendation:

 Signature of person preparing report:	<u>2/4/14</u> Date
 Signature of Dean	<u>2-4-14</u> Date
 Signature of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs:	<u>3-7-14</u> Date
 Signature of President:	<u>3-10-14</u> Date
 Signature of Chair, Board of Governors:	<u>4-7-14</u> Date

# PROGRAM REVIEW

## Fairmont State Board of Governors

Program with Special Accreditation     Program without Special Accreditation

Date Submitted February 15, 2014

Program B.S. Mathematics

Degree and Title

### INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION

The institution is obligated to recommend continuance or discontinuance of a program and to provide a brief rationale for its recommendation:

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3. Identification of the program for further development (for example, providing additional institutional commitment);
4. Development of a cooperative program with another institution, or sharing courses, facilities, faculty, and the like;
5. Discontinuation of the Program

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

The faculty associated with the B.S. Mathematics degree (including the B.A. in Mathematics Education) has been making curriculum improvements and has been documenting student success via course and program outcomes. Course outcomes are linked to appropriate program outcomes, and student assessment is well established within the programs of study. The faculty within the Mathematics Department utilizes a continuous improvement plan to meet institutional assessment needs.

Nationwide, degrees in mathematics account for less than 1 percent of the total number of bachelor degrees awarded. Over the last five years the Mathematics Department at Fairmont State University has been above this national standard (i.e., 1.2 percent for Math degrees, and 1.8 percent for Math Education Degrees). While the Mathematics Department does not have a large number of majors, the degrees offered by the program are deemed essential to both the state and region. The faculty is actively engaged in the improvement of mathematics education at the K-12 level, and is taking an active role in the redesign of developmental education at Fairmont State University. The faculty is commended for the high quality report provided, and for the leadership roles they are taking to transform math education in the state of West Virginia.

Susan L. Goodwin  
Signature of person preparing report:

February 15, 2014  
Date

Anthony J. Gilbert  
Signature of Dean or School Head

2/15/14  
Date

Christina Lavorata  
Signature of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs:

3-7-14  
Date

*Maria C. Love*  
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Signature of President:

*3-21-14*  
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Date

*Kon Tucker*  
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Signature of Chair, Board of Governors:

*4-17-14*  
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Date

# PROGRAM REVIEW

## FAIRMONT STATE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Program with Special Accreditation     Program without Special Accreditation

Date Submitted: February 17, 2014

Program: B.A. National Security and Intelligence

### INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION

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3. Identification of the program for further development (for example, providing additional institutional commitment);
4. Development of a cooperative program with another institution, or sharing courses, facilities, faculty, and the like;
5. Discontinuation of the Program

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

The faculty associated with the B.A. in National Security and Intelligence (NSI) has continued to make improvements in the program. As a result, the program has continued to increase enrollment, retention and graduation numbers. In fact, the number of students majoring in NSI continues to grow faster than any other major at the university. These successes are achieved in spite of having only two full time faculty members. The continuation of this program is strongly recommended.

Deanna Shields for Gregory Rowe  
Signature of person preparing report

2-17-14

Date

Deanna Shields  
Signature of Dean

2-17-14

Date

Christina Lavorata  
Signature of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

3-7-14

Date

Maria C. Roe  
Signature of President

3-10-14

Date

Ken Tucker  
Signature of Chair, Board of Governors

4-7-14

Date

**PROGRAM REVIEW**  
**FAIRMONT STATE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

     Program with Special Accreditation     Program without Special Accreditation

Date Submitted: February 14, 2014

Program: B.A. Political Science

**INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION**

The institution is obligated to recommend continuance or discontinuance of a program and to provide a brief rationale for its recommendation:

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- 2. Continuation of program with corrective action (for example, reducing the range of optional tracks or merging programs);
- 3. Identification of the program for further development (for example, providing additional institutional commitment);
- 4. Development of a cooperative program with another institution, or sharing courses, facilities, faculty, and the like;
- 5. Discontinuation of the Program

**Rationale for Recommendation:**

The faculty associated with the B.A. in Political Science has continued to make improvements in the program. As a result, the program has continued to increase enrollment, retention and graduation numbers. In fact, the number of students majoring in political science has more than doubled over the past five years. In addition, there are over 1,000 students each academic year who take at least one political science course this includes the students who major in the discipline and the service courses offered by the discipline. These successes are achieved in spite of having only two full time faculty members. The continuation of this program is strongly recommended.

Deanna Shields for Gregory Thorne  
Signature of person preparing report

2-14-14  
Date

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Signature of Dean

2-14-14  
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Signature of President

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Signature of Chair, Board of Governors

4-7-14  
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# PROGRAM REVIEW

## Fairmont State Board of Governors

Program with Special Accreditation  Program without Special Accreditation

Date Submitted 2-7-14

Program Bachelor of Science in Sociology  
Degree and Title

### INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION

The institution is obligated to recommend continuance or discontinuance of a program and to provide a brief rationale for its recommendation:

- 1. Continuation of the program at the current level of activity;
- 2. Continuation of program with corrective action (for example, reducing the range of optional tracks or merging programs);
- 3. Identification of the program for further development (for example, providing additional institutional commitment);
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- 5. Discontinuation of the Program

### Rationale for Recommendation:

The Sociology program at Fairmont State University has had between 40 and 58 majors for over a decade with fluctuations following University enrollments more than anything else. Student and community demand for the program has been steady during this time and is expected to remain fairly constant. With the illness and retirement of a sociology faculty member, a new faculty was hired who is a more recent graduate and has a better understanding of the current state of the field of sociology, graduate program expectations, and job opportunities. This change in program membership gives us the opportunity to make major changes in program requirements, course offerings, and community connections that have not been made in the past. We expect to maintain our current level of program activity while developing and initiating many new changes that should lead to more consistent program growth.

Clarence Rohbaugh  
Signature of person preparing report:

1/27/2014  
Date

Deanna Shields  
Signature of Dean

2-7-14  
Date

Christina Kavvata  
Signature of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs:

3-7-14  
Date

Maria C. Rou  
Signature of President:

3-10-14  
Date

Ken Tucky  
Signature of Chair, Board of Governors:

4-7-14  
Date