

Program Review
State Board of Education/UI Board of Regents

SBOE GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, SECTION III
POSTSECONDARY AFFAIRS

Subsection H Program Review
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1. Coverage
Academic programs, administrative units, research centered institutions, and public service components...

2. Program Review
Program Review is the method by which the Board and the institutions evaluate proposed and existing programs. The **goals of program review** are: (a) maintenance **and enhancement of the quality** of instruction, research and public service efforts, (b) assurance of the postsecondary education system's **responsiveness to changing societal and state needs**, (c) promotion of **effective and efficient management** of state resources, and (d) assist the institutions in **defining how effective** their programs are.

In the context of program review for and by the Board, a program is a curriculum or course of study in a discipline specialty that leads to a certificate or degree. It is often but not always the same as a "major." Administrative units of research and public services are those that are: (a) essential to student training, (b) an integral part of an academic/applied program, (c) related to institutional role and mission, or (d) serve the consumer/state interests.

4. Institutional Policies and Procedures
Each institution will establish and maintain policies and procedures,...subject to Board approval, for evaluating existing programs and new program proposals, as well as programs proposed for (a) expansion, (b) delivery at an off-campus site by various distance learning methods or in cooperation with another institution, a business, or an industry, (c) consolidation, (d) relocation, or (e) discontinuance. **The evaluation process should be an integral component of the institution's academic and vocational education planning and budgeting processes.**

(Emphases added.)

See <http://www.sde.state.id.us/osbe/policy.htm> for complete text.