



2009 Program Realignment Initiative Progress Report

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Initial Scope of Work

The working group was charged to perform the following tasks, with the intent of providing UW System institutions with information that would assist them in making decisions regarding program realignments in this period of severe budgetary constraints:

- Collect and analyze data on the UW System program array to show which institutions are offering what degree programs;
- Collect and analyze data on enrollments and degrees conferred from the program array during the last six to ten years;
- Collect and analyze data on programs throughout the system that are inactive, but still on the books awaiting some form of reactivating or closure decisions;
- Collect and analyze data on programs throughout the system that are inactive, still on the books, but planned for closure;
- Present results to all UW System Provosts along with recommendations;
- Compile information on how institutions plan to use or are using the results; and
- Present results to UW System Administration and the Board of Regents.

Program Realignment Discussion Outline

1. Proposed guiding principles for program realignments/discontinuations/eliminations
(green)
2. UW System program array – bachelor degree programs offered by # of UW institutions
(yellow)
3. Undergraduate degree programs offered by more than 50% of UW institutions
(blue)
4. Contributions to degree production by each degree area at each institution
(white)
5. Low degree producing areas
(pink)
6. So what?
(goldenrod)
 - a. Examples of how UW institutions are utilizing program realignment data
(buff)
 - b. Program realignment plans reported by institutions
(white)
 - c. Looking ahead: questions on degree productivity
(pink)
 - d. Tennessee Board of Regents low-producing program criteria
(white)