

Academic Program Review at Northern Michigan University:

Pilot Testing a Process



Background

- An AQIP Mandated Action Project
 - Goals: 5-Year Self-Study & Resource Management
- Committee Process
 - Survey Best Practices
 - Adopt EPC Criteria
 - Establish Trial Process & Timeline
- Pilot Test with Different yet Complex Units
 - Communication & Performance Studies
 - Engineering Technology

The Self-Study Template

- Part A: The Department Overall

 - History, Mission, Publics, Character, & Resources

 - Data re: Alumni, Faculty, Enrollment, Revenue & Costs

- Part B: Specific Programs (i.e., Majors)

 - Background, Demand, Quality, Productivity, & Costs

 - EPC-Criteria & Data-Driven via OIR

 - Concluding SWOT Analysis & Planning

- Appendices

 - Existing or Partnered Reports



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Next Steps

- ✓ EPC Confirmation of Self-Study Completion
- ✓ External Consultant Review
- ✓ Departmental Response to Consultant's Report
- ✓ Full EPC Review and Report to Provost
- ✓ Provost's Marching Orders

QUESTIONS?