

INTRODUCTION

This Curriculum Manual provides information on the curriculum development and revision processes at Guam Community College (GCC) for both instructional programs and courses. The manual provides access to the information necessary for curriculum review and approval, including applicable forms and resources.

The manual is designed to assist faculty, departments, and academic administrators of GCC in the development of new programs and courses and in the revision of existing programs and courses, to reflect and in compliance with the following ACCJC accreditation standards: (Administrators and faculty, through policy and procedures, have a substantive and clearly defined role in institutional governance and exercise a substantial voice in institutional policies, planning, and budget that relate to their areas of responsibility and expertise.)

CURRICULUM REVIEW COMMITTEE

The committee responsible for overseeing the curricular development process as of fall 2017, is the Curriculum Review Committee (henceforth to be called CRC), which replaces the Learning Outcomes Committee (LOC) that existed since 2012. This change was the result of the newly ratified contract, the Guam Community College Faculty Union 6476 AFT/AFL-CIO and the Guam Community College Board of Trustees Agreement (2017 – 2023).

CHARGE

The CRC ensures and regulates, through quality control, an academically sound and comprehensive curriculum that reflects the mission of the College and is responsive to the evolving needs of the community. The Committee comprises of academic administrators and faculty (including ad hoc relevant staff) in its efforts to guide and continually improve institutional and student learning outcomes at the College.

MISSION STATEMENT

The CRC ensures that the College's curricular offerings are academically sound, comprehensive, and responsive to the evolving needs of the community. It serves to guide and continually improve GCC's efforts to assist students to achieve success in their educational goals.

VISION STATEMENT

The CRC strives to prepare students to pursue high-quality educational opportunities in support of the needs of Guam and its workforce.

PHILOSOPHY

The CRC believes that a high quality curriculum provides students with the academic foundation necessary to achieve career and life goals.