

Executive Summary of Program Assessment

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Campus: UMKC

College/School: College of Arts and Sciences (if applicable)

Academic Unit: Department of Psychology

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Submitted by: Office of the Provost

Degree Programs

Degree (e.g., BS, MA, PhD)	Degree Program	Enrollment		Number of Degrees Awarded	
		Most Recent Fall Semester 2017	5-Year Fall Semester Average	Most Recent Academic Year 2017	5-Year Average
BA	Psychology	430	468	89	96
PhD	Psychology	31	29	3	4

Changes Since Last Review

BA Program

- Our assessment activities over the past 5 years have resulted in major curricular changes, as well as updates to our student learning outcomes. APA's "Guidance for the Undergraduate Psychology Major: Version 2.0" served as the catalyst for these changes. We believe these changes have made our major more attractive to prospective students, and better prepare them for post-BA career/professional opportunities.
- Changes to transfer policies: we believe these will streamline the process for transfer students, making UMKC more attractive (and ultimately increase our yield rates).

PhD Program

- We have made notable enhancements to diversity-related efforts, both in terms of our training curriculum and our program administration. Based on student feedback and our self-review, we added a course in our curriculum to address cultural competency in our students (required for clinical option students: Counseling in a Pluralistic Society). Also, we have been successful in our efforts to recruit and retain students from underrepresented groups and those that add diversity to our program.

Strategies or Plans for Improving Program

BA Program

- Increase our online offerings

Other Comments

Our PhD students achieve licensure and competitive employment, adding to the crucial behavioral and healthcare needs of Missouri and the region.