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UW-Stout
University Priority B - curricular incubation center

1. University Priority

What solution are you proposing?"

Create a curricular incubation center that supports development of programs aligned with our mission, including programs that strengthen relationships with WTCS and supports emerging technology programs

Linkage to Strategic Plans
University of Wisconsin-Stout Strategic Plan
Linkage to FOCUS 2010 goals:
Goal 1: Prepare alumni for success.
Goal 3: Achieve national leadership and excellence in educating students in the theory and application of a broad range of technologies.
Goal 4: Strengthen the on-campus organization by focusing on UW-Stout's unique mission within the UW System.
Linkage to Enduring Goals
Goal 1: Offer high-quality, challenging academic programs that influence and respond to a changing society.

2. Statement of the Issue:

"What issue are you trying to solve?"

There is a need to improve the efficiency of the program development, program management, and curricular approval processes to enable faster program development and to anticipate future program needs for emerging fields.

3. Action Plan:	Responsible:	Timeline:
"What has to be done for this priority to succeed?"	*"Who are the positions or people that will be responsible for each step?"*	*MUST be specific target completion date.*
Develop a written proposal that includes a process to evaluate proposals from faculty/staff for program development ideas. Establish a dialogue with WTCS in the process.	Provost	December 2005
Develop a process to streamline curriculum development (charge from Chancellor)	Senates	December 2005

Identify at least two clusters of programs for potential collaboration	**Provost** with Provost's Council	December 2005
Identify new program(s) to incubate and direct resources toward program development	Provost	January 2006

4. Implication for Resources:

"What is needed for this priority to succeed?"
(Human, fiscal, physical, other)

5. Key Measures of Performance:

It is the expectation that priority owners will be using/maintaining the process measures to assess action plan deployment. At the end of the fiscal year, the Strategic Planning Group will review and discuss the implementation progress and impact.

Process Measures:
Identify no more than two process measures when answering the question:

"What information will be collected to assess successful deployment of the action plan?"

-One new program designed by July 2006
BS in Information and Communications Technologies is a new program for spring 2007

-Course approval in one semester
No progress as of August 2006

-Program approval in one academic year
No progress as of August 2006

-Tasks completed according to timeline
See university priorities progress updates http://www.uwstout.edu/bpa/planning/spgretreat/2006/yrend06.pdf

Performance Indicators:
BPA is responsible for benchmarking overall performance to answer the question:

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"What information will be collected to benchmark and measure the priority's success?"

-Enrollments, http://www.uwstout.edu/bpa/ir/performance/enrollment.pdf

-New, revised, and discontinued academic programs, and certificates,
http://www.uwstout.edu/bpa/ir/performance/acadprog.pdf