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| **Discipline: Sociology** | **Date 02-09-2015**  |
| **Instructional Discipline Reviewed (Each discipline is required to complete a Program Review.)** |  **Add Date  (00/00/0000)** |

**DEFINITION**

Program Review and Planning is the means by which faculty, staff, and/or administrators complete a self-evaluation of an academic discipline, program, or service.  The self-evaluation includes an analysis of both quantitative and qualitative data on how the academic discipline, program, or service is supporting the mission and strategic planning of Palomar College in meeting the educational and career interests of students.  Through the review of and reflection on key program elements, such as program data and student learning outcomes, Program Review and Planning defines the curriculum changes, staffing levels, activities, and/or strategies necessary to continue to improve the academic discipline, program, or service in support of student success.  The Program Review and Planning process also ensures short-term and long-term planning and identification of the resources necessary to implement identified goals and priorities.  (ACCJC Standard I.B3; AB-1725, 10+1)

**Purpose of Program Review and Planning:**

Program Review and Planning for Years 2 and 3 provides a “check-in” on the Year 1 Comprehensive PRP. The PRP documents the vision and planning for a program or discipline. It also provides information for the development of the College’s Strategic Plan goals and annual objectives, documents overarching themes/issues occurring across academic programs and instruction, identifies the needs for resource allocations, and identifies department needs for developing the annual Staffing Plan update.

[**Palomar College Mission**](http://www.palomar.edu/about/goals.aspx)

Our mission is to provide an engaging teaching and learning environment for students of diverse origins, experiences, needs, abilities, and goals. As a comprehensive community college, we support and encourage students who are pursuing transfer-readiness, general education, basic skills, career and technical training, aesthetic and cultural enrichment, and lifelong education. We are committed to helping our students achieve the learning outcomes necessary to contribute as individuals and global citizens living responsibly, effectively, and creatively in an interdependent and ever-changing world.

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| **List everyone who participated in completing this Program Review and Planning Document.****Kalyna Lesyna, Susan Miller, Devon Smith, Kathleen Grove** |

**STEP I. Evaluation of Program & SLOAC Data.** In this section, examine and analyze updated program data, the results of SLOACs, and other factors that could influence your program/discipline’s plans for the current year. Consider trends and any changes in the data as they relate to this year’s analysis.

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| 1. **Analysis of Program Data. Review and comment on any significant changes or noted concerns since last year’s PRP.**

**(For enrollment, WSCH, & FTEF data, use Fall term data only).** * + Enrollment, Enrollment Load, WSCH, and FTEF (<http://www.palomar.edu/irp/PRP_WSCH_FTEF_Load.xlsx>) **(Use Fall term data only).**
	+ Course Success and Retention rates (<http://www.palomar.edu/irp/PRP_Success_Retention.xlsx>**). Note, this file is very large and there will be a delay both when you open the file and again when you initiate the first search.**
	+ Degrees and Certificates (<http://www.palomar.edu/irp/PRP_Degrees_Certs.xlsx>).

The sociology program continues to grow and thrive despite the overall decrease in enrollment statewide at the community colleges. We are confident that our program is strong and are pleased with the addition of our new faculty member in Women's Studies. 1. Enrollment: As previously noted, enrollment is down systemwide; however, Sociology enrollment remains strong. Our enrollment at Census is close to 90% . Our WSCH/FTEF ratio, while down slightly, also remains strong at 521. Overall enrollment load at Census in Sociology is higher (88.8%) than the college average (86.4% ).2. Success and Retention. Our retention rates remain very strong, especially in our day classes (93.6%). Our evening and distance education classes are also holding steady. Our overall retention rate for all classes combined is 90.3%. As expected, our success rates (65.4%) are somewhat lower than our rentention rates. We believe this reflects the rigor of our courses as well our intention to prepare students to transfer to a four-year college/university. We continue to consider the idea of implementing prerequisties and expanding tutoring options for our courses in order to better prepare students. 3. Degrees and Certificates. With the institutionalization of our AA-T degree, we are pleased to report that in 2013-14, 18 students received an AA degree. Sixteen students received the AA-T degree in Sociology, and two students received the AA degree in Women's Studies (administered by Sociology). We more than doubled the number of degrees we awarded last year, and we expect this number of significantly increase next year.  |

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| 1. **SLOACs. Using the comprehensive SLOAC reports and faculty discussions as a guide, summarize your planned SLOAC activities for courses and programs for the current academic year. Link to SLOAC resources:** <http://www2.palomar.edu/pages/sloresources/programreview/>

 Looking at our overall SLOAC summary, we are proud to report that we are up to date with reporting on all courses. Recently one of our faculty members became a coordinator of the SLOAC committee. We will continue to assess and monitor our courses on the timelines we have developed.  |

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| 1. **Other Relevant Data and Information.**
2. **Review other data and/or information that you included in last year’s assessment of your program (see Step II.C). (Examples of other data and factors include, but are not limited to: external accreditation requirements, State and Federal legislation, four-year institution directions, technology, equipment, budget, professional development opportunities). Describe other data and/or information that you have considered as part of the assessment of your program. If there is additional information you are using to assess your program this year, also describe that information here.**

In last year's PRP we indicated our need for an additional faculty member. We are fortunate to be hiring this year, and we plan for our new hire to specialize in Statistics and Quantitative Research. Our Part-Time/Total FTEF is still unbalanced (65%). We continue to have a strong need for travel assistance to conferences. Sociology is a dynamic field, and these conferences provide an important opportunity for faculty to stay current.1. **Given this updated information, how are your current and future students impacted by your program and planning activities? Note: Analysis of data is based on both quantitative (e.g., numbers, rates, estimates, results from classroom surveys) and qualitative (e.g., advisory group minutes, observations, changes in legislation, focus groups, expert opinion) information.**

We want to implement a Social Justice course which would articulate with the Sociology/Criminal Justice department at CSU San Marcos. We also have plans to build the quantitative portion of our discipline with our new hire. We are considering adding a Research Methods course in Sociology to our AA-T degree.  |

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| 1. **Labor Market Data. For Career/Technical disciplines only, review and comment on any significant changes or concerns since last year’s PRP. (See Step II.D). This data is be found on the CA Employment Development website at** [**http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/**](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/)**. Go here and search on Labor Market Information for Educators and Trainers (http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/Content.asp?pageid=112). Click on summary data profile on right side of page to search by occupation. (Check other reliable industry or government sources on Labor Market Data websites that support findings and are relevant to Region Ten – San Diego/Imperial Counties. Include job projections and trends that may influence major curriculum revisions.)**

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**STEP II. Progress on Previous Year’s Goals and Plans** (See ”Step III - Updated Goals and Plans” in your completed 2013-14 PRP at <http://www.palomar.edu/irp/PRPCollection.htm>).

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| **Discuss/Summarize progress on last year’s goals. Include** 1. **the impact on resources allocated and utilized;**
2. **any new developments or concerns that are affecting the program;**
3. **any new goals for the program; and**
4. **other information you would like to share.**

1. Last year we received travel funds which we have used to attend professional conferences. Professor Grove presented a paper at the International Visual Sociology conference in Pittsburgh this summer. This information was included in her Sociology of Health and Illness class and her Self and Society class. Professor Lesyna attended the 109th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association in San Francisco in August 2014, a conference attended by over 5900 sociologists and featuring 600 sessions over the four-day period. The theme of the meeting was Hard Times: The Impact of Economic Inequality on Families and Individuals. Leading scholars in the areas of economic inequality, racial and ethnic stratification, family poverty, deviance and social control, mass incarceration, disadvantaged youth, the welfare state, police surveillance and violence in inner-city areas, and the economic marriage gap attended this conference and gave presentations, and these are all major topics that Professor Lesyna teaches about in her Introductory to Sociology classes. She also teaches about some of these topics in her Marriage, Family & Intimate Relationships classes. The workshops and panel discussions Professor Lesyna attended, along with personal conversations she had with various scholars, greatly increased Professor Lesyna’s knowledge about ongoing developments and controversies in these fields, knowledge she passed along to her students in her classes during the Fall 2014 semester. Professor Miller will be attending the Pacific Sociological Association meeting in Long Beach California this Spring. These conferences provide valuable information that is incorporated into our classes. They are a place where we learn about the latest research and have been able to search through new books that are used in our courses.2. We have added a new course, Self and Society, and are evaluating its placement as a face-to-face class as well as online. We will continue to analyze our enrollments and placement of courses.3. We have a need to update our MD 130 Computer Lab. Psyc/Soc 205 is a 4-unit course that incorporates SPSS into the curriculum. The inclusion of this computer application component is necessary to maintain consistency with our articulation agreements. It is also providing students with support to be successful in other courses at Palomar College (e.g. Research Methods Psych 130) and their transfer institutions, as well as helping students develop skills that for future job placement. At the San Marcos campus, this course is taught in MD-130 (a computer lab). The lab consists of computers that lift out of the desk and keyboards that are in trays. Unfortunately, this design has created problems for its continued use. Multiple work orders have been submitted for jammed computers, bent trays, and broken keyboards. Based on conversations with faculty who teach in the room and with facilities, it appears that the trays used for the keyboards are easily bent and cause problems for the mechanism used to lift and lower the computers. Not having functional computers greatly impacts our ability to teach this course as intended and provide students with the experiences required by our articulation agreement. Facilities has indicated that having keyboards that slide out would help prevent damage to the lifting mechanism. Doing this will require new furniture pieces. Having working computers is imperative to our program and will impact 382 students each semester (12 classes per semester with 32 students each).  |

**STEP III. Resources Requested for FY 2014-15:** Now that you have completed Steps I and II, Step III requires you to identify all additional resources you will need to achieve goals, plans and strategies for Step II. First, identify all resource needs in each budget category. You may have up to five (5) requests per budget category. Provide a meaningful rationale for each request and how it links to your Goals, Plans, and Strategies. Resource requests to simply replace budget cuts from previous years will not be considered. Negotiated items should not be included in any resources requested. PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL FUNDING ALLOCATED BY IPC IS ONE-TIME AND MUST BE SPENT WITHIN THE DEFINED TIMELINE. Requests that support more than one discipline should be included on the “Academic Department Resource Requests” PRP form only. [*Click here for examples of each budget category.*](http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf)

Prioritize within each category and then prioritize across categories in Step IV.

\*Refer to Strategic Plan 2016 Objectives at http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/StrategicPlan2016-Year2.pdf

**Budget category a. Equipment (acct 600010 and per unit cost is >$500). Enter requests on lines below. Click here for examples of equipment:** [**http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf**](http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf)

| **Priority Number for Resource Requests**  | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include tax, shipping, etc.)** |
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**Budget category b. Technology (acct 600010, examples: computers, data projectors, document readers). Enter requests on lines below. Click here for examples of technology:** [**http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf**](http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf)

| **Priority Number for Resource Requests**  | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include tax, shipping, etc.)** |
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**Budget category c. Supplies (acct 400010 and per unit cost is <$500). Enter requests on lines below. Click here for examples of supplies:** [**http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf**](http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf)

| **Priority Number for Resource Requests**  | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include tax, shipping, etc.)** |
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| **c1.**  | **Laminated statistics tables** | **400010** | **Classroom resource.** | **3.3 and 3.4** | **To save printing costs we need laminated tables for our Statistics class. These tables are used over and over in multiple classes and include the following****Table F; Table P; Talbe Q; Table R;Table T; Table X; Table Z****We would like to laminate each table and make 50 copies. The amount is based on a price quote from Coment Copy.** | **298.76** |
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**Budget category d. Operating Expenses (acct 500010; examples: printing, maintenance agreements, software license) Enter requests on lines below. Click here for examples of operating expense:** [**http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf**](http://www.palomar.edu/irp/2013CategoriesforPRPResourceRequests.pdf)

| **Priority Number for Resource Requests**  | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already partially funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include tax, shipping, etc.)** |
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**Budget category e. Travel Expenses for Faculty (acct 500010: faculty travel only)**

| **Priority Number for Resource Requests**  | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include benefits if applicable)** |
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| **e1.**  | **Travel to the American Sociological Association meeting in Chicago 2015** | **500010** |  |  | **A core value of Palomar College is "excellence in teaching, learning, and service." Sociology is a very dynamic field, and staying current in our respective areas of specialization is essential to our being excellent instructors. Going to conferences such as the annual meeting of the American Sociological Assocation helps us tremendously in our efforts to keep up in our field. The amount of funding requested here is the total cost for three full-time faculty members to attend the annual ASA meeting in 2015. The cost includes flights, hotels, food, and registration fees. Our attendance at these conferences is in line with Strategic Plan Objective 3.3 (Increase professional development opportunities to strengthen the technological knowledge and skills of faculty and staff) and Strategic Plan Objective 3.4 (Implement professional development opportunities that support faculty innovation in teaching and learning through action-based research).**  | **$5400 -- This covers the cost of three full-time faculty attending the conference. We are estimating the cost of airfare to be about $500 each. The cost of the hotel is $290 per night. Added to this is registration cost, meals, public transportation.** |
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**Budget category f. Short-term hourly (temporary and student worker). Enter requests on lines below.**

| **Priority Number for Resource Requests**  | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include benefits if applicable)** |
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 **STEP IV. Prioritize Resource Requests.** Now that you have completed Step III, prioritize all of your resource requests as one group; not prioritized within each budget category. This means you could have your #1 priority in technology, your #2 priority in short-term hourly, and your #3 priority in equipment, etc. If you actually have five (5) requests in each of the six (6) budget categories, you would end up with 30 prioritized requests**. IPC will not consider requests that are not prioritized.** Note that all funding allocated by IPC is one-time and must be spent within the defined timeline.

| **Priority Number for all Resource Requests in Step III** | **Resource Item Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide ~~a~~ detailed rationale for each item. Refer to your goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If item is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include tax, shipping, benefits, etc.)** |
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| **1.**  | **travel funds** | **500010** | **To stay current in our field (see Ferguson, same-sex marriage, presidential election, electronic surveillance, Ebola, etc.)**  | **3.3 and 3.4** | **A core value of Palomar College is "excellence in teaching, learning, and service." Sociology is a very dynamic field, and staying current in our respective areas of specialization is essential to our being excellent instructors. Going to conferences such as the annual meeting of the American Sociological Assocation helps us tremendously in our efforts to keep up in our field. The amount of funding requested here is the total cost for three full-time faculty members to attend the annual ASA meeting in 2015. The cost includes flights, hotels, food, and registration fees. Our attendance at these conferences is in line with Strategic Plan Objective 3.3 (Increase professional development opportunities to strengthen the technological knowledge and skills of faculty and staff) and Strategic Plan Objective 3.4 (Implement professional development opportunities that support faculty innovation in teaching and learning through action-based research).**  | **$5400** |
| **2.**  | **Laminated Statistics Tables** | **400010** | **Classroom resource** | **3.2 and 3.4** | **To save printing costs we need laminated tables for our Statistics class. These tables are used over and over in multiple classes and include the following****Table F; Table P; Talbe Q; Table R;Table T; Table X; Table Z****We would like to laminate each table and make 50 copies. The amount is based on a price quote from Coment Copy** | **298.32** |
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**STEP V. Contract Position Requests.** Prioritize all contract positions you feel are needed to achieve goals, plans and strategies identified in Step II. Include all requests for Classified, CAST, and Administrator positions that either replace a vacancy due to retirements, resignations, lateral transfers, etc., or any new positions. You may request up to ten (10) positions and they must be prioritized to be considered by IPC. Please note that only these position requests will be prioritized by IPC when developing the annual Staffing Plan for Instruction.   (Do not include faculty positions.)

| **Priority Number for Contract Position Requests**  | **Position Title/Category****Requested**  | **Fund Category** | **Discipline goal addressed by this resource**  | [**Strategic Plan 2016 Objective Addressed by this Resource**](http://www.palomar.edu/strategicplanning/PALOMAR_STRATEGICPLAN2016.pdf)**\*** | **Provide a detailed rationale for the each position. The rationale should refer to your discipline’s goals, plans, analysis of data, SLOACs, and the Strategic Plan. (If position is already funded, name the source and describe why it is not sufficient for future funding.)** | **Amount of Funding Requested (include benefits)** |
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