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Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for your willingness to serve on the Provost's Academic Review Council for 2016-2017. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new Council Members, Jim Dalling, Rochelle Gutierrez, Alan Mette, Silvina Montrul, and Shelly Nickols. Members typically serve a three-year term.

This Council assists with the implementation of the program review process and ensures that the process is sound and rigorous. During this academic year, the Review Council is specifically being charged with the following responsibilities:

- Examine the process for annual reporting and recommend the best way to move forward to assure accountability;
- Approve changes to the calendar for the unit/cluster reviews;
- Continue to participate in the exit interviews with external reviewers;
- Develop guidelines and best practices for EOs to communicate with their units about the reviews;
- Help develop guidelines and procedures to meet post-review expectations;
- Update the self-assessment questionnaire to include information about strategic vision and short and long plans for the unit;
- Review the report template for external reviewers to assure that the questions are clear and are aligned with the self-assessment;
- Continue to prepare for the alignment of the AIDE review with the Program Review process;
- Create guidelines for selecting program reviewers to ensure rigor, appropriate expertise and experience, and disciplinary balance.

Staci Provezis from the Provost's Office will work with both the Provost's Program Review Council and the academic units to support this process.

I am deeply grateful for your time and expertise in this important review process.

Sincerely,

Edward Feser
Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost