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Manual of Policy and Procedures

Purpose

Consistent with its mission, Vermont State Colleges is dedicated to providing academic programs that are of high quality and remain current. Towards that end, the VSC Board of Trustees adopts this policy in order to ensure that VSC colleges regularly engage in practices designed to foster the continuous improvement of programs. Through the procedures outlined in this policy, faculty involved in delivering VSC academic programs periodically, systematically, and collaboratively review evidence regarding their effectiveness in achieving desired student learning outcomes, and commit to making the changes needed to ensure continuous program improvement.

Thus the Board of Trustees charges the colleges with, and establishes guidelines for, the regular

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Option 2: Self-designed review process

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- 8) Before the December Board of Trustees meeting, EPSL will review all committee reports and the written responses of COP.
- 9) At the December EPSL Committee meeting, CAD, COP and EPSL Committee members will have an opportunity to discuss the continuous improvement strategies recommended for the programs under review.

Option 3: Process and timeline for accredited programs

Programs that are nationally accredited as well as those approved by the State of Vermont's Results Oriented Program Approval (ROPA) process are required, as a condition of continued accreditation, regularly to engage in program outcome assessment and continuous improvement processes. Accredited programs that have undergone accreditation reviews since the last PReCIP review are reviewed by COP and by EPSL through procedures detailed below. An accredited program that has not undergone an accreditation review since the last PReCIP review

