

Executive Summary

Q: A brief recap or highlights of the entire program review document. (500 words or less)

- Highlight major strengths and weakness.
- Highlight areas for improvement over the next 3-6 years.

Response:

Virtual Valley, LAVC's Distance education program, has increased from the 11 courses from 3 different subject areas in Fall of 2002 to 126 courses from 31 different subject areas. All of the online courses have the same transferability as the face to face campus courses and are accepted by the University of Southern California, the University of California and California State University systems. LAVC will submit a Substantive Change Report to the state in February 2016 for inclusion of additional online degree/certificate programs, online and hybrid classes.

Major strengths of the program

Virtual Valley has recently joined the state of California Online Education Initiative and will transition to the Canvas LMS platform in the spring 2016. Inclusion in the OEI will give LAVC online classes statewide visibility and help expand the program. The campus continues to incorporate online resources for faculty such as Intelecom video library resources and Net Tutor, the online tutoring resource.

Major weaknesses of the program

Virtual Valley is currently without a DE Trainer position and this is integral for the transition from ETUDES to Canvas and should be resolved no later than the beginning of the 2016.

Areas for improvement

Virtual Valley should continue to strive for higher success and completion rates for online and in particular, hybrid classes.

Participants

Q: Please indicate the individuals that participated in the completion of this program review.

Response:

Validation & Feedback

Validation Comments for Program

Q:

Response:

I have reviewed the information and validate it. The participation of the campus in the OEI initiative along with the conversion to a new learning management system and the submission of the substantive change report presents an opportunity for growth in the distance education program. LN

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Comments for Review Committees

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Response:

