


ASCLS Summer 2018

NAACLS Update



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RECENT DRC ACTIVITIES

- Expanded Doctoral Review Committee – Completed April 2017
- Complete Standards Revision – Presented to Board September 2017
- 2018 Doctoral Standards – Adopted April 2018
- Streamlined Initial Process – Adopted April 2018
- Doctoral Standards Compliance Guide – Completed by DRC, on target for Quality Assurance review in August 2018
- Doctoral Self Study Template – On target for Quality Assurance Committee review in August 2018
- Doctoral Self Study Review Form – On target for Quality Assurance review in August 2018
- Doctoral Site Visit Review Form – On target for Quality Assurance review in August 2018

REVAMP OF DOCTORAL STANDARDS AND PROCESS

<p style="text-align: center;">OLD STANDARDS</p> <p>Original Doctoral Standards adopted in 2006. They included 14 standards and a lengthy initial process: Preliminary Site Visit, extensive Preliminary Report, including a required Program Profile. A program remained in Candidacy Status until the 3rd student graduated when it entered the initial Self-Study phase.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NEW PROCESS</p> <p>2018 DCLS Standards feature only 8 standards. The initial process is condensed into an application packet on the NAACLS website. Programs reach NAACLS Doctoral Candidacy Status after the simplified Preliminary Report is approved. The initial Doctoral Self-Study is now due after the 1st student graduates or 3 years from Preliminary Report being approved, whichever comes first.</p>
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- The 2018 Doctoral Standards now feature numbering and format consistent with the 2012 Accreditation and Approval Standards.
- The Preliminary Site Visit and Program Profile have been removed.
- The Initial Process has been streamlined, removing much of the back and forth communication found in the previous process.

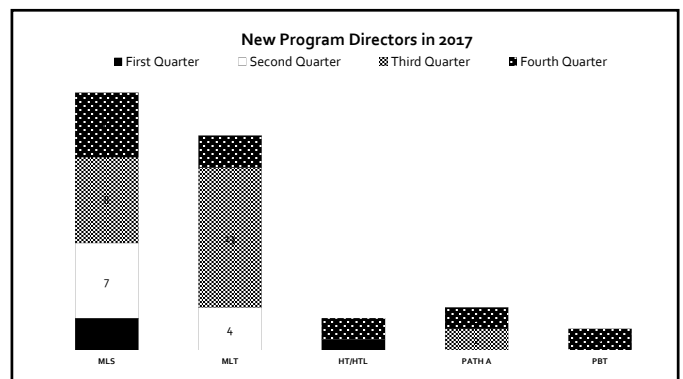
CURRENT DRC PROJECTS

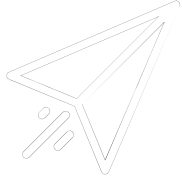
<p style="text-align: center;">DCLS STANDARD COMPLIANCE GUIDE</p> <p>Since the DCLS Standards went out for public comment, the Doctoral Review Committee focused on developing a Doctoral Standard Compliance Guide. This Guide is designed to assist the program director know the materials which are key to the Self-Study narrative, Self-Study documentation, and the Site Visit.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ELECTRONIC SELF-STUDY</p> <p>Doctoral programs will submit their Self-Studies electronically with a Self-Study template. This consistent format not only guides the program director during the submission, but it also provides familiarity to the reviewer. This familiarity expedites the process of locating the documents and narratives needed for review.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DCLS REVIEW DOCUMENTS</p> <p>The DCLS will have Self-Study and Site Visit review forms, meant to guide the reviewers on their fact finding mission. These forms are informed by the Standard Compliance Guide and always tie back to the standards. These forms will be available to program directors through our website.</p>
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Total Change in 2017

55 New PDs

611 Total Programs





Visit the NAACLS News for more program stats, as well as the latest NAACLS announcements.

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**What
about the
AMS?**

NAACLS is still in the process of creating a web based Accreditation Management System. While it has taken longer than anticipated, we are committed to a product that is useful to both our program directors and volunteers. Stay tuned to the NAACLS News for updates.

Questions?
