SACS/COC ACCREDITATION AT UTSA

Things to consider when making additions and deletions to the 2017-2019 catalog:

- Review the catalog 2017-2019 for SACS/COC core requirements.
- If master’s thesis not required for degree, are there projects, research, publications, practicum, internship required? Need to demonstrate advance knowledge.
- Is there a difference between master’s of art degree and a master’s of science degree? Needs to be in the catalog.
- Are master’s and doctoral degree programs progressively more advanced in academic content than undergraduate programs and doctoral more advanced than master’s? Catalog is enforced as contract. Review course description content.
- Course syllabi should demonstrate a difference between undergraduate and graduate. Demonstrate higher expectations.
- Master’s and doctoral students in same class. Demonstrate higher expectations with doctoral students than master’s level.
- Student learning outcomes, assessment methods, and use of assessment for improvements must be documented for every degree program at every level; the learning outcomes for master’s level must be more advanced than those of undergraduate level and doctoral level more advanced than master’s.

CORE REQUIREMENTS:

3.6.1 The institution’s post-baccalaureate professional degree programs, and its master’s and doctoral degree programs, are progressively more advanced in academic content than undergraduate programs.

3.6.2 The institution ensures that its graduate institution and resources foster independent learning, enabling the graduate to contribute to a profession or field of study.