

Memorandum

Date: April 20, 2023

From: Terra Schehr, Associate Vice President of Educational Planning & Development

To: Undergraduate Chairs and Graduate Program Directors

Cc: Provost, Vice Provosts, and Associate Deans

Subject: Academic Program Review, Multi-year Schedule

Academic Program Review (APR) is a formal, periodic process that supports the ongoing assessment, renewal, and transformation of MICA's degree programs. As such, it is an opportunity to develop and articulate a clear vision for where the program wishes to be in the future and a plan for realizing that vision. APR is a spring-to-spring process that involves the completion of a program Self-Study, a visit and feedback provided by external reviewers, and the completion of a Visioning Document.

Department Chairs, Program Directors, and faculty are supported in the APR process by their Associate Dean and the Associate Vice President for Educational Planning & Development. When in full implementation, it is intended that each cycle of review will include up to six programs with each individual program undergoing formal review every 5-8 years.

The multi-year schedule on the following page has been developed in consultation with the Provost and Vice Provosts in order to accommodate:

- A desire to have similar programs, that might be able to share external reviewers, in the same cycle
- Balancing the workload for the Associate Deans who have responsibility for coordinating the reviews and creating Summary document that describes common themes, suggested collaborations, and prioritized initiatives from the individual reviews

While adhering to a multi-year schedule is important for planning purposes, there is some flexibility and a Vice Provost can call for a program to be reviewed before their scheduled date (p.3 of the accepted [Procedures and Guidelines](#)).

Note: FYE is not listed on the schedule. While FYE should be reviewed periodically and can follow a process similar to APR if that would be beneficial, APR as accepted by the faculty and Board of Trustees, applies only to degree programs (p.1 of the accepted [Procedures and Guidelines](#)).

APR was scheduled to begin in spring of 2020 but was put on hiatus due to the campus closure and implementation of COVID-19 protocols. This schedule reflects a soft launch in 2021 with one program in Open Studies and a more complete launch in 2022.

Cycle	Program	Divison	Sp'21	F'21	Sp'22	F'22	Sp'23	F'23	Sp'24	F'24	Sp'25	F'25	Sp'26	F'26	Sp'27	F'27	Sp'28	F'28	Sp'29
1	Business of Art & Design MPS	OS																	
2	Architectural Design BFA	UGS																	
	Game Design BFA	UGS																	
	Hoffberger MFA	GS																	
	Mount Royal MFA	GS																	
3	Fiber BFA	UGS																	
	Illustration BFA	UGS																	
	Illustration MA	GS																	
	Illustration Practice MFA	GS																	
	Rinehart MFA	GS																	
4	Painting BFA	UGS																	
	Printmaking BFA	UGS																	
	Graphic Design BFA	UGS																	
	Graphic Design MA	GS																	
	Graphic Design MFA	GS																	
	Data Analytics & Visualization MPS	OS																	
5	Art History BFA	UGS																	
	Humanistic Studies BFA	UGS																	
	Interdisciplinary Sculpture BFA	UGS																	
	Community Arts MFA	GS																	
	Social Design MA	GS																	
	Design Leadership MA	OS																	
6	Animation BFA	UGS																	
	General Fine Arts BFA	UGS																	
	Interactive Arts BFA	UGS																	
	Curatorial Practice MFA	GS																	
	Teaching MAT	GS																	
	Product Management MPS	OS																	
7	Ecosystems, Sustainability, & Justice	UGS																	
	Photography BFA	UGS																	
	Filmmaking MFA	GS																	
	Photography + Media & Society MFA	GS																	
	Studio Art MFA*	GS																	
	UXDesign MPS	OS																	

* For the low-residency summer programs, the cycle is slightly adjusted with the program doing preparation and Annual Report in Fall; completing the Self-Study in spring; hosting the visit/external review in the summer; and completing the Visioning Document in the following fall

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