

Department of Educational Psychology

CACREP Accredited Counseling Programs
Student Learning and
Program Evaluation Results
2023 – 2024 Academic Year



Introduction

The Program Evaluation Report represents the NAU counseling program's systematic and empirical evaluation of program objectives, related CACREP standards, and key performance indicators (KPIs). In the report we identify a) baseline criteria for each objective measured, related KPIs indicating a measurement of skills and/or knowledge, b) methods of data collection, c) findings, and d) how the data are used for curricular and program improvements. Documented outcomes are noted in bold in the Follow Up and Program Improvement section and reflect initiated program changes. This report follows the processes outlined in the 2020-2023 Program Evaluation Plan.

Section I of this report organizes evaluation activities by the 10 program **student-focused learning objective** (SLPOs) required by all students as the main heading with associated Core CACREP and KPI standards and objectives and reports on the data collected, the analysis and review of the data, and how the data informed program improvement.

If less than 80% of students do not meet the criteria established for a SLPO, PO, or KPI metric, the counseling program institutes a required review of the course, evaluation activity, and student performance to discuss and develop program and curricular changes. Items that show a trend of mixed student performance are discussed in the faculty meetings and recommendations for program or curricular changes may be instituted.

Section II of this plan organizes evaluation activities by the CACREP standards associated with the **clinical mental health and school counseling** specialty areas as the main heading with related KPI standards and objectives.

Section II of this report organizes evaluation activities by the 2 overall program-level objectives.

Key:

KPI- Key Performance Indicator PO- Programmatic Objective SLPO- Student Learning Program Objective CMHC – Clinical Mental Health Counseling SC- School Counseling

- 1. Become familiar with the requirements for being a professional counselor, including the relevant research and literature pertinent to the discipline.
- 2. Become familiar with and knowledgeable about the nature and needs of individuals at all developmental levels.
- 3. Develop a thorough understanding of knowledge and competencies related to issues and trends in a multicultural and pluralistic society, and to effectively demonstrate multicultural counseling competencies.
- 4. Demonstrate effective counseling skills.
- 5. Become familiar with studies in group dynamics and to development and related life factors, and to demonstrate effective career counseling skills.
- 6. Understand major theories of career development and related life factors, and to demonstrate effective career counseling skills.
- 7. Develop an understanding of assessment processes, and to demonstrate skills in individual and group approaches to assessment and evaluation.
- 8. Become familiar with research, statistics, and program evaluation as they apply to the practice of counseling.
- 9. Develop a clear sense of professional identity in counseling, which includes professional ethics, legal responsibilities, professional preparation standards, participating in professional organizations, and obtaining necessary credentials.
- 10. Acquire knowledge about counseling supervision, and to experience peer, site supervisor and faculty supervision that allow students to integrate and apply the knowledge and skills that they have acquired to practice.
- 11. Experience continuous course-related and overall program-related feedback to enhance their professional development as they become professional counselors.
- 12. Acquire knowledge and skills related to the ways that counselors use a variety of technologies designed to assist students, clients, and the systems they work within.
- 13. Acquire knowledge related to the professional identity, roles, and functions of professional counselors.
- 14. Practice ongoing assessment of one's own skills, strengths, weaknesses, professional and personal development as related to counseling professional identity, counseling ethics, and the principles of ethics of client autonomy, non-maleficence, beneficence, justice, and fidelity

Section I

Evaluation of Student Learning Program Objectives and Key Performance Indicators

- 1- Become familiar with the requirements for being a professional counselor, including the relevant research and literature pertinent to the discipline.
- 9 Develop a clear sense of professional identity in counseling, which includes professional ethics, legal responsibilities, professional preparation standards, participating in professional organizations, and obtaining necessary credentials.
- 13 Acquire knowledge related to the professional identity, roles, and functions of professional counselors.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.1.: Professional Counseling Orientation And Ethical Practice

Key Performance Indicator (KPI) 1: Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills applying ethical standards of professional counseling organizations and credentialing bodies, and applications of ethical and legal considerations in professional counseling (2.F.1)

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 1 Data Point 1 (SLPO – 1,9 - Knowledge): 95.7% of students will earn at least a score of 80% on the Case Scenario Assignment in EPS 670 Method: Faculty Assessed via BB Learn Rubric	Criteria Met 95.7% (42/5) passed the KPI with an 80% or higher.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
KPI 1 Data Point 2 (SLPO - 1,9 - Knowledge): 80% of students will at least a score of 2 out of 3 points on each of the two Case Conceptualization Papers in EPS 692 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) passed the KPI with at least a score of 2 out of 3	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings. Continue to monitor.

2 - Become familiar with and knowledgeable about the nature and needs of individuals at all developmental levels.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.3 Human Growth and Development

Key Performance Indicator 5: Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills applying theories of individual and family development across the lifespan.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 3 Data Point 1 (Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at least a score of 80% on the final examination in EPS 615 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Examination	Criteria Met 95.3% (2/43) earned at least 80% on the examination.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
KPI 3 Data Point 2 (Skills): 80% of students will earn at least a score of 2 out of 3 on the midterm and final case conceptualization papers applying human development and lifespan knowledge with practicum clients in EPS 692 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) earned at least 2 out of 3 on the midterm and final case conceptualization papers.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor

Student Learning Program Objective Evaluated:

3 - Develop a thorough understanding of knowledge and competencies related to issues and trends in a multicultural and pluralistic society, and to effectively demonstrate multicultural counseling competencies.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.2: Social and Cultural Diversity

Key Performance Indicator 2: Students will demonstrate knowledge of the impact of heritage, attitudes, beliefs, understandings and acculturative experiences on an individual's views of others (2.F.2.d), and students will demonstrate skills in applying multicultural competencies in practicum and internship (II-F.2.c).

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 2 Data Point 1 (2.F.2.d - Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at least 80% on the Broaching Assignment in EPS 690 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric	Criteria Met 100% (53/53) earned at least 80% on the broaching assignment	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor Outcome: The Broaching activity was added in 20-21 as a result of program modifications from the 19-10 program evaluation plan.

3 - Develop a thorough understanding of knowledge and competencies related to issues and trends in a multicultural and pluralistic society, and to effectively demonstrate multicultural counseling competencies.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.2: Social and Cultural Diversity

Key Performance Indicator 2: Students will demonstrate knowledge of the impact of heritage, attitudes, beliefs, understandings and acculturative experiences on an individual's views of others (2.F.2.d), and students will demonstrate skills in applying multicultural competencies in practicum and internship (II-F.2.c).

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 2 Data Point 2 (2.F.2.d - Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at least 2 out of 3 points on the midpoint and final Case Conceptualization papers in in EPS 692 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the midpoint and final Case Conceptualization papers	Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Consider learning activities to increase final mean scores from midpoint- Faculty discussed including broaching articles in EPS 660, EPS 692, and other courses, beginning spring 2021 Outcome: The broaching activity was added in 20-21 as a result of program modifications from the 19-10 program evaluation plan. Documentation See counseling program minutes

4 - Demonstrate effective counseling skills

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.5: Counseling and Helping Professions

Key Performance Indicator 5: Students will demonstrate knowledge of the counselor characteristics and behaviors that influence the counseling process (2.F.5.f), and application of essential interviewing, counseling, and case conceptualization skills (2.F.5.g).

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 5 Data Point 1 (2.F.5.f- Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at least a score of 80% on the Wampold quiz in EPS 592 (CMHC) and EPS 594 (SC) Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Examination	Criteria Met 97.8% (1/46) earned at least 80% on the examination.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
KPI 5 Data Point 2 (2.F.5.f- Skills): 80% of students will earn at least a score of meets expectations on the practicum supervisor evaluation of counseling skills in EPS 692	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) earned at least 80% on the quizzes.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
Method: Faculty Assessed via Qualtrics		

5 - Become familiar with studies in group dynamics and to demonstrate effective group counseling skills

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.6: Group Counseling and Group Work

Key Performance Indicator 6: Students will demonstrate skills related to characteristics and functions of effective group leaders (2.F.6.d)

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 6 Data Point 1 (Skills): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the evaluation of students' students' application of group counseling skills in EPS 661. Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric	Criteria Met 100% (64/64) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of counseling skills	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
KPI 6 Data Point 2 (Skills): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of group counseling skills via the practicum lab instructor's midterm and final surveys administered in EPS 692 Method: Practicum Clinic Instructor Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of counseling skills via the practicum instructor's supervisor's midterm and final surveys administered in EPS 692	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor

6 - Understand major theories of career development and related life factors, and to demonstrate effective career counseling skills

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.D.4: Career Development

Key Performance Indicator 4: Students will demonstrate strategies for assessing abilities, interests, values, personality and other factors that contribute to career development (II-F.4.e)

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 4 Data Point 1 (Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the evaluation of students' students' performance on the career guidance project (PCD-7) Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric	Criteria Met 100% (37/37) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the career guidance project (PCD-7)	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor Updated KPI Assignment created
KPI 4 Data Point 2 (Skills): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of career counseling skills via the practicum lab instructor's midterm and final surveys administered in EPS 692 Method: Practicum Clinic Instructor Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of career counseling skills via the practicum instructor's supervisor's midterm and final surveys administered in EPS 692	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor

7 - Develop an understanding of assessment processes, and to demonstrate skills in individual and group approaches to assessment and evaluation

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.7: Assessment and Testing

Key Performance Indicator 7: Students will demonstrate skills related to methods of effectively preparing for and conducting initial assessment meetings initial assessment (II-F.7.b), and knowledge and skills in the use of symptom checklists, and use of personality and psychological testing (II-F.7.k)

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 7 Data Point 1 (II-F.7.b - Skills): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of intake and assessment skills on the summative skills rubric in EPS 688 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera	Criteria Met 100% (42/42) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of intake and assessment counseling skills	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
KPI 7 Data Point 2 (II-F.7.b - Skills): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of intake and assessment skills via the practicum lab instructor's midterm and final surveys administered in EPS 692 Method: Practicum Clinic Instructor Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met 100% (67/67) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on the evaluation of students' application of intake and assessment skills	Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor

8 - Become familiar with research, statistics, and program evaluation as they apply to the practice of counseling.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.F.8: Research and Program Evaluation

Key Performance Indicators 8: Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills in the identification of evidence-based counseling practices (II.F.8.b) and analysis and use of data in counseling (II.F.8.i)

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
KPI 8 Data Point 1 (II.F.8.b - Knowledge): 80% of CMHC students will earn at least 80% on the final examination or 3 quizzes in EPS 617 Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Examination	Criteria Met 90.6% (4/43) passed the examination with an 80% or higher.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Faculty suggestions for program and curriculum modification: Dr. Kolodinsky and Dr. Aurora will investigated and conducted an item analysis of the quizzes, incorporated feedback from students, and created a pool of questions for a 50 question final exam. Documentation See counseling program minutes
KPI 8 Data Point 2 (II.F.8.b - Knowledge): 80% of CMHC students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on the site supervisors' evaluation of students' use of data in counseling in EPS 694. Method: Site Supervisor Assessed via Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met 100% (53/53) of CMHC students received at least a 2 of 3 in EPS 694 on the site supervisor evaluation.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor

9 - Acquire knowledge about counseling supervision, and to experience peer, site supervisor and faculty supervision that allow students to integrate and apply the knowledge and skills that they have acquired to practice.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 3.C: Formative and summative evaluations of the student's counseling performance and ability to integrate and apply knowledge are conducted as part of the student's practicum and internship.

Key Performance Indicator: This program objective was not measured via the KPI process in 2023-2024.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
SLPO 9 Data Point 1 (II.F.8.b - Knowledge): Students report that practicum supervisors scored on average at least a 3 on a 5 point scale evaluating the following questions on the Student Evaluation of Practicum Supervisors: • Provided useful feedback relative to my strengths and weaknesses. • Taught me new professional approaches in working with clients. Method: Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met 35 students completed the evaluation during the fall 2023- summer 2024 semesters the results are as follows: Provided useful feedback relative to my strengths and weaknesses: Mean = 4.5 Taught me new professional approaches in working with clients. Mean = 4.6	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Faculty suggestions for program and curriculum modification: Outcome: Included a new question on the alumni survey specifically addressing this SLPO for 2023-2023. Spring/Summer 2024 began implementing Tevera using site supervisor profiles for easy access to evaluation

10 - Experience continuous course-related and overall program-related feedback to enhance their professional development as they become professional counselors.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 3.C: Formative and summative evaluations of the student's counseling performance and ability to integrate and apply knowledge are conducted as part of the student's practicum and internship.

Key Performance Indicator: This program objective was not measured via the KPI process in 2020-2021.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
SLPO Data Point 10 (II.F.8.b - Knowledge): Students report that practicum supervisors scored on average at least a 3 on a 5 point scale evaluating the following questions on the Student Evaluation of Practicum Supervisors: • Helped me to identify and achieve work goals. • Encouraged me to engage in	Criteria Met 35 students completed the evaluation during the fall 2023- summer 2024 semesters the results are as follows: Helped me to identify and achieve work goals. Mean = 4.5	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor Spring/Summer 2024 began implementing Tevera for easy access to evaluation
professional behavior Method: Qualtrics Survey	Encouraged me to engage in professional behavior Mean = 4.7	

Student Learning Program Objective Evaluated:

12 - Acquire knowledge and skills related to the ways that counselors use a variety of technologies designed to assist students, clients, and the systems they work within.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 2.D.5.e: The impact of technology on the counseling process

Key Performance Indicator (N/A): This program objective was not measured via the KPI process in 2020-2021.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
SLPO 12 Data Point 1 (Knowledge and Skills): 80% of students will earn at least 2 out of 3 points on this item in the final site supervisor evaluation administered in EPS 694 Method: Site supervisor assessed via Qualtrics survey	Criteria Met 100% (n=/18 SC, mean=2.5; 32/32 CMHC, mean = 2.5) site supervisor evaluations of students received at least a 2 on the annual professional disposition evaluation for this item	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor Spring/Summer 2024 began implementing Tevera using site supervisor profiles for easy access to evaluation

Section II

Evaluation of Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling Specialty Areas Student Learning Objectives **CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated:** CMHC 3.E.11 strategies for adapting and accommodating the counseling process to client culture, context, ability and preferences

Key Performance Indicator 9 (CMHC): Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills related to theories and models related to clinical mental health counseling

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
CMHC-KPI 9 Data Point 1 (Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at 80% on the final exam in EPS 681	Criteria Met 100% (54/54) passed the final at least 80%	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
Method: Final Items assessed by Faculty in Canvas/Tevera		

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 5.H.6: school counselor roles as leaders, advocates, and systems change agents in P-12 schools

Key Performance Indicator 10 (SC): Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills related to school counselor roles as leaders, advocates, and systems change agents in P-12 schools

Assessment Criteria and Methods of	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and
Collection		Program Improvement
SC KPI 10 Data Point 1 (Knowledge): 80% of students will earn at least 2 of 3 points on Project 1 – Interview with school personnel, parents, and other stakeholders	Criteria Met 100% (4/4) earned at least 2 out of 3 points on Project 1	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
Method: Faculty Assessed via Canvas/Tevera Rubric		

Section III

Evaluation of Program-Level Objectives

Programmatic Objectives Evaluated

- 1. Our Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling Programs regularly gather and "reflect input from all persons involved in the conduct of the program, including counselor education program faculty, current and former students, and personnel in cooperating agencies."
- 2. We seek to recruit and retain students who represent the diverse population of the Southwestern U.S.

Programmatic Objective Evaluated:

A. Our Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling Programs regularly gather and "reflect input from all persons involved in the conduct of the program, including counselor education program faculty, current and former students, and personnel in cooperating agencies."

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 4.B.1: Evaluations in the Program

Programmatic Objective 1: The program will obtain data follow-up studies of graduates, site supervisors, and employers of program graduates to make program and course adjustments based on this input.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
PO A.1: School Counseling Average site supervisor and employer ratings on each of the domains on the 2023-2024 School Counseling Supervisors' Perceptions of Interns' Knowledge and Skills will average 2 or higher Method: Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met Each domain averaged 2 or higher on the school counselor version of the survey	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Continue to monitor
PO A.2: Clinical Mental Health Counseling Average site supervisor and employer ratings on each of the domains on the 2023-2024 Clinical Mental Health Counseling Supervisors' Perceptions of Interns' Knowledge and Skills will average 2 or higher Method: Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Met a) Each of the items measured by the survey averaged 2.5 or higher.	 Reviewed in January and February 2023 faculty meetings Added these items to the agenda for the CMHC advisory board meeting held on 9/25/20 Advisory board members recommended adding more skills focused activities in EPS 590 and reduce the focus on classes of substances.

Programmatic Objective Evaluated:

A. Our Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling Programs regularly gather and "reflect input from all persons involved in the conduct of the program, including counselor education program faculty, current and former students, and personnel in cooperating agencies."

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 4.B.1: Evaluations in the Program

Programmatic Objective 1: The program will obtain data follow-up studies of graduates, site supervisors, and employers of program graduates to make program and course adjustments based on this input.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Collection	Aggregate Findings	Follow-up and Curricular and Program Improvement
PO A.3 Respondents will rate a mean of 3 out of 5 on the domains listed on the recent graduates survey Method: Qualtrics Survey	Criteria Partially Met Less than 80% of students report at a rating of 3 out of 5 on items scored less than on the survey: • Relevance of Stats (Approximately 76% reported at least 3 out of	 Reviewed in select January and February 2023, fall 2024 faculty meetings The program proposed to replace intermediate statistics with a course focused on mental health systems and integrated behavioral health based on The CMHC Advisory Board meeting on 9/25/20 and graduate feedback. Outcome: MHCS Course Approved- Added to Degree Plan. Stats now an elective
5 on the survey) • For CMHC and SC, the means exceeded 3, however program organization and	 For CMHC and SC, the means exceeded 3, however program 	
	at 2.85	Related to the alumni We created a separate practicum and internship for school counselors, clarified expectations and professionality identity for the SC training, a new subcommittee developed designated to increasing school counseling recruitment and retention, and met with departmental leadership to focus on recruiting students interested in being school counselors. In faculty meetings, we discussed highlighting school counseling and ASCA in courses with other majors to foster school counselor's professional identity.

Programmatic Objective Evaluated:

B. We seek to recruit, retain, and graduate students who represent the diverse population of the Southwestern U.S.

CACREP Standard(s) Evaluated: 4.B.1: Evaluations in the Program

Programmatic Objective 1: The program will review data related to student recruitment, retention, and graduation and seek to recruit, retain, and graduate diverse students who represent the population of the southwestern U.S.

Assessment Criteria and Methods of Aggregate Findings Follow-up and Curricular and Collection **Program Improvement** Criteria Met Reviewed in November 2024 faculty PO B.1 The program admissions will reflect **P.O. B.1.** 26.3% of NAU graduate meeting the demographics of the southwest and NAU students are defined as Reviewed in CACREP subcommittee as a HSI. **Underrepresented Minority** meeting on 2/22/2023- discussed the (UMR) students. The CMHC role of leave of absences and Method: Comparison of admitted counseling program enrolled 26.3% URM advising. Consider including more and student demographics and NAU overall students and the SC program advising opportunities beyond the enrolled 26.2% URM students demographics. first year. Explore case by case situations and discuss in faculty PO B.2 Evaluations of student demographics **Criteria Met** meetings. as provided by NAU Institutional Research Recommendations suggested to Recruit more representative faculty (IRA) will show equitable rates of retention Improve UMR retention across campuses as evidenced by new and graduation for underrepresented groups differences in SC faculty recruitment activities. (URM). If retention and graduation rates drop Outcome: new preferred below 80%, the program will institute P.O. B.2. Based on available data qualifications for faculty mandatory changes and improvements. CMHC URM students were recruiting: Demonstrated retained at 89% compared to efficacy in working with **Method:** Comparison of 2 year retention non-URM retention of 2 years at people from a variety of rates and 3 year graduation rates between 92% for CMHC and 88% for nondiverse backgrounds (e.g., URM for CMHC. URM groups and non URM students. culture, gender/sexuality, language, disability, class); Based on available data SC URM and understanding of the PO B.3 Based on historically lower KPI students were retained at 79% diversity of rural and performance for EPS 617, grade distributions compared to non-URM retention southwest communities will show equitable rates for URM students. of 2 years at 80% for SC and 78% for non-URM for SC. URM students are retaining at 100% Method: Using IRA data we will evaluate the and 92 % respectively across years 1 comparison of grade distributions between IRA did not provide URM 2 which means they are taking longer URM and non URM groups to evaluate equity graduation data due to to graduate versus non-URM in grading for EPS 617. confidentiality concerns because students. Discussed at November 5, of low numbers. 2024 faculty meeting to determine resources and how we may assist this population during the final phases to graduate sooner. Will distribute survey ion the spring of 2025 to assess these factors for students who

took longer than 3 years to graduate.