GSU’s Next Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP): What’s Involved, How You Can Help
Overview

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Context: Reaffirmation of Accreditation

- **Compliance Certification**
  - Demonstrate Compliance with SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation (104)
  - Focus on Where We are Now

- **Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)**
  - Forward-looking Component of the Process
  - Focus on Where We Want to Go
What Is the QEP?

- Opportunity to Enhance Overall GSU Quality and Effectiveness
- Focus on Improving Student Learning and/or Student Success
- Five-year Action Plan
- Wide Participation in Development and Implementation
- Grounded in Institutional Planning and Evaluation Processes
Recent QEP Examples

- Georgia Tech (2015): *Serve-Learn-Sustain*
- Georgia Southern (2015): *Write! Write! Write!*
- UAB (2015): *Learning in a Team Environment*
- UNO (2015): *Global Learning and Engagement*
- Tennessee (2015): *Experience Learning*
QEP Timeline: Topic Selection in 2017

Spring:
Select 3-5 Topics for Further Development

Summer:
Prepare Detailed Proposals

Fall:
Select Final Topic
QEP Timeline: 2018/2019

- **Winter/Spring:** Draft Full QEP
- **Summer/Fall:** Pilot QEP
- **Fall/Winter:** Approval & Submission
Considerations in QEP Topic Selection

- Focused on Student Learning and/or Success
- Broad-based Involvement of Institutional Constituencies
- Reflective of Institutional Needs
  - Mission, Strategic Plan, Surveys, Assessments, Program Review, etc.
- Potential Impact (depth) and Reach (breadth)
  - Implementation across all campuses
- Feasibility (resources, expertise, leadership)
How You Can Help

**Proposal Generation (winter/spring 2017)**
- Inform Constituencies (students, faculty, staff, alumni, etc.)
- Encourage Topic Proposal Submissions
- Reflect on GSU’s Needs and Opportunities
- Submit Topic Proposals (April 1)

**Topic Selection (summer/fall 2017)**
- Encourage Consideration of and Feedback on Full Proposals
- Review Relevant GSU Data and Documents
- Provide Input to Topic Selection Committee
Resources

- SACSCOC Publications and Resources
- GSU Documents and Data
- Examples of QEPs
- Educational Best Practices
- http://sacscoc.gsu.edu/qep/
Submit a QEP Topic Proposal

Georgia State University invites proposals for the topic of its next university-wide Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). Topic proposals need not be particularly lengthy or detailed. Just a few sentences describing the general idea may suffice, although more detailed proposals (up to 1000 words) are encouraged. In all cases, however, proposals should focus on improving student learning and/or student success, and proposals for topics that promise to enhance student learning and/or success across all GSU campuses are especially welcome. In addition, topic proposals may build on programs and initiatives already underway at GSU. For additional guidance and ideas, please consult the QEP Resources page.

To submit your topic proposal, please click here or on the link below. The topic proposal submission portal will be open until April 1, 2017. After that date, the QEP Topic Selection Committee (TSC) will choose three to five proposals for further development. Authors of the original short topic proposals will be invited to prepare longer proposals (up to 10 pages) that will be posted on the QEP website and presented to the GSU community. Based on the feedback received and its own analysis of the proposals, the TSC will recommend a final QEP topic by late in the fall of 2017.

Please direct questions or comments to John Duffield, QEP Coordinator, at Duffield@gsu.edu or 404-413-2615. And thank you in advance for your topic proposals!

Topic Proposal Submission Portal
QEP Topic Selection Considerations

In evaluating the topic proposals submitted, the QEP Topic Selection Committee will be guided by the following considerations. If you are preparing a topic proposal, please bear them in mind.

- The proposal should articulate clear goals
- The focus should be on student learning and/or student success
- The topic should be aligned with the GSU mission and strategic plan
- The topic should be relevant to GSU needs and opportunities
- The potential impact should be substantial, in terms of both the number of students impacted and the benefits for each student
- The plan should be achievable with reasonable resources
- It should be possible to implement the plan fully within 5 years
- It should be possible to assess the extent to which the goals have been achieved
1 Georgia State University invites proposals for the topic of its next Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), a five-year plan to improve student learning and/or student success. Please use this form to submit your topic proposal. Additional information about the QEP is available at [http://sacacoc.gsu.edu/qep-resources/](http://sacacoc.gsu.edu/qep-resources/)

2 Contact Information

2.1 Name(s):

2.2 Contact email:

2.3 Contact telephone:

2.4 Status: Please select...

2.5 College affiliation: Please select...

3 QEP Topic Proposal

3.1 Please describe the proposed QEP topic, including potential goals and the reasons this would be a good topic for Georgia State. Be sure to address how this topic will improve student learning and/or student success. (Please limit your response to 1000 words.)
3.2 Optional Question: What classes, programs, activities, organizational structures, etc., might GSU need to put in place for the QEP?

3.3 Optional Question: How would this QEP topic support the mission and strategic plan of GSU?


GSU Strategic Plan: [http://strategic.gsu.edu/](http://strategic.gsu.edu/)

3.4 Optional Question: Please list any citations to research literature that you think would be helpful in evaluating this topic proposal.

3.5 Optional Question: Please provide any additional information you think may be helpful in evaluating this topic proposal.

3.6 Would you be willing to help develop this topic or a similar topic into a formal proposal of up to 10 pages in length?  

☐ Yes  ☐ No

4 Thank you for your QEP Topic Proposal submission!
Thank You!

Questions or Comments?

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