Update on Curriculum and Assessment Initiatives

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Governance/Coordination Update

- Implementation of New Graduate Council
  - Based on Graduate Bylaws revision 2018-2019
  - Parallels processes in UUCC
  - Led to excellent discussions re: courses/programs/collaborations

- Program deployment coordination group
  - Registrar, Chancellor's office, OGC, OGS
  - Goal: coordinate with schools/colleges on logistics of deploying programs (already approved) at campuses outside Boston
  - Scope & processes being developed

Curriculum Initiatives

- Open PlusOne/PlusJD Format
  - Expand BS/BA pathways for various MS/MA/JD programs
  - Eliminate separate governance actions for B-M-JD combinations
  - Define preparatory courses for BS/BA majors out of alignment with MS/MA
  - Create easier search of combinations

- Combined Majors
  - Increase combinations/improved integration
  - Goal: eliminate obstacles, reduce workload to launch
  - "Graduate" existing $\rightarrow$ stand-alone degrees, more integration

- PhD "off-ramp" MS

Assessment

Goal: develop university-wide assessment &
continuous improvement culture and processes

- Fall 2019: technology platform selection
  - Working group formed to structure evaluation/selection
  - Selection of AEFIS for Sp/Su 2020 pilot

- Spring 2020: pilot and support for other units
  - Development/delivery of training, other academic unit support
  - Integration with ITS support: LMS, Banner, other systems
  - Hiring of Director, Institutional Assessment/Evaluation
  - Re-formation of Assessment Oversight Group (OAG)

Assessment

- Summer 2020
  - Final planning for university roll-out, programmatic assessment
  - Conversion of program plans to AEFIS
  - Planning for NUpath assessment (with SAC/Senate)

- Fall 2020
  - Assessment materials and data collection using AEFIS

- End of Spring 2021
  - Programs review assessment data, carry out continuous improvement activities

Thank You!

Questions?