“New Health College” – Proposed structure

Over the past month and a half, the Health College Steering Committee met to discuss the structural questions left unanswered by the Academic Organizational Review Committee (ARC) regarding the make-up of the proposed Health College. To date we have met with faculty and chairs connected to programs and departments whose future organizational affiliation was left unsettled by the ARC. These included the Department of Leadership Studies in Education and Organizations, the Department of Teacher Education, programs in Disability Studies, School Counseling, Sign Language, Sports Management and Sports Science. We also met with a faculty representative from the College of Nursing and Health.

Recommendation: After hearing the presentations, reviewing associated evidence/data, and considering the recommendations of the ARC as well as preferences of the faculty within the above programs, we have recommended the following structure for the new college:

**Departments or Schools:**

- Nursing
- Professional Psychology
- Teacher Education
- Leadership Studies in Education and Organizations
- Social Work
- Human Services
- Kinesiology and Health
- Including:
  - All programs that reside within the above departments or schools*

*Note that the steering committee recommended investigating the possibility of joint appointments for the faculty in the ASL/SLI (sign language) program, which currently resides in Human Services, with COLA.

**Next Steps:** The committee feels that the next logical step, once the overall structure is vetted, is to establish working groups to begin to work on the logistics of the college. The goal would be to have the groups populated by representative faculty and staff by the end of the semester and begin work on preparing plans for the financial, structural, curricular and administrative integration of the above programs.

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