

Austin Community College Compliance Certification Response
Substantive Change Prospectus
South Austin Campus

The college places primary responsibility for the content, quality, and effectiveness of its curriculum with the faculty [1]. The process for developing or revising programs is outlined in the college's Curriculum & Programs Procedures Manual [2]. The roles of faculty, administration, and the Board of Trustees are delineated in this manual, and comply fully with the requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and SACS *Principles of Accreditation* regarding the pivotal role of faculty in shaping the curricula. New or revised curriculum developed by discipline experts (faculty) follow an established review and approval process. The process includes review/approval by the Department Chair, appropriate instructional area Deans, appropriate Vice Presidents, the Curriculum and Programs Committee [3], the Academic and Campus Affairs Council, President, Board of Trustees, and the THECB.

For existing programs, the Instructional Program Review process, which is a faculty-led process, reviews the content, quality, and effectiveness of the program.