Welcome. Dear Chabot Community Member,

Welcome to Fall 2023 Program and Area Review! PAR is on a three-year cycle (Fall 2021 is the comprehensive review and planning year; Fall 2022 and Fall 2023 are annual update years). This is the second "Update Year" in which you will need to reflect on aspects of your own PAR submissions and the overarching campus trends from the Fall 2021 Comprehensive PAR and Fall 2022 Update PAR Years. Please collaborate with your dean/manager to receive feedback before entering your PAR responses here (and for resource requests, enter into <u>Cognito</u>).

Thanks,

The Program and Area Review Committee

*Please remember that Qualtrics is not a collaboration tool and partial responses can get lost. You should only enter your PAR into Qualtrics once you have finished the steps of collaborating with your program/area teammates and/or your Dean/manager and have a final draft.

Is your PAR ready to submit as a final draft?



Q2. Background Information

Q3. Name of Your Program/Discipline/Area/Service, Division, and Organization Unit

Name of Program, Discipline, Area or Service	Fire Technology 🗸
Division	Applied Technology and Business \checkmark
Organizational Unit	Academic Services 🗸

Q4. If you selected "Not Listed" in the previous question, please enter your Program/Discipline/Area/Service name here

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q5. Name(s) of the person or people who contributed to this review:

Bob Buell

Q6. Which PAR Template (word template) did you fill out?

*Please check this <u>list</u> to make sure that you filled out the correct template.

- Academic Programs
- Student/Admin Services/Office of the President

Q7. Campus-Wide Issues

Q38. Reflections on Annual Priority Progress in Academic Year 2022-23

Context: The Planning and Resource Allocation Committee (PRAC) establishes <u>Annual Planning</u> <u>Priorities</u> based on collegewide trends in PAR responses, experiences from grant and categorical fund managers, and issues raised in PRAC. In brief, the planning priorities for 2022-2023 were to: 1) Develop support networks to link students to Pathway Success Team members and services; 2) Expand Chabot's connection to the external community to expand students' access to basic needs support and work-based learning opportunities and careers; and 3) Improve student interfaces (e.g., marketing, website redesign, virtual ways for students to access services).

Question: What progress did you see in any of these annual planning priorities?

There has been a lot of meetings and discussions on these topics, but many students don't know what we offer at our college based on the marketing	
approach currently employed. Schedules need to be simplified and programs need better marketing support.	

Q39. **Question:** If you could advise college decision makers how to make better or more efficient progress on any of these annual planning priorities, what would you say?

We continually face roadblocks in prerequisite challenges and petitions to repeat the Work Experience classes. There is rarely an explanation to faculty or students as to the roadblocks, costing considerable time to resolve. The lost time impacts enrollments in the Fire Academy courses (FT 10, 11, 11CAP) and Work Experience (FT 95 and 96), resulting in delayed census reports when due (because students are missing from the roster(s). Until enrolled, students cannot access Canvas. If these impacted students choose to stay in the classes, they need more time to complete assignments, and some need time past the end of the course to finish the coursework, thus leading to delayed grades or incompletes. Until we can fix what's going on between the program, admissions, and counseling, we continue in this unproductive spiral, ultimately impacting our enrollments and students. Also, our college does not market our programs efficiently. We have an electronic marquis board in Lot G and we never see any advertisement of the variety of career education programs offered through Chabot College.

Q8. **Context:** For 2023-24, PRAC put forward <u>seven recommendations</u> for consideration based on their analysis of the <u>Fall 2022 Program and Area Synthesis Statement</u> and the <u>Mission Critical Priorities</u> in the Ed Master Plan, experiences from grant and categorical fund managers, and the 2022-23 President's College Planning Initiatives.

Question: How important do you believe it is to address the following issues to support Chabot in carrying out our mission? Please drag the response options and order them from most important (1) to least important (7).

Improve student access from application to registration

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Dedicate resources for implementation impending mandates, such as Cal-GETC, AB705/1705, etc.	3
Improve fluency with business and HR processes	4
Scale successful practices from grants, categorical endeavors, and learning communities	5
Build an accountability structure for recommendations that have college-wide scope to ensure continuous improvement	6
Access and implement post-pandemic college policies and procedures to respond to the needs of students and employees	7

Q9. **Question:** If you believe there is an important issue to address to carry out the college mission that is NOT mentioned in the previous list, please describe below (optional).

Promote career education programs and pathways, integrating academic education that aligns with the students' goals.

Q10. Reflections on Goals Established in Fall 2021 PAR

Q11. **Context:** In Fall 2021 PAR (the last comprehensive PAR year), after reflecting on data, you established program/area goals to support continuous program improvement and/or the college mission. This <u>spreadsheet</u> lists the goals that you first established in Fall 2021 and updated or confirmed in Fall 2022.

Question: Keeping in mind, you only have one year left in this PAR cycle to accomplish these goals, please take a look at your goals to determine:

- $\bigcirc\,$ All goals are still relevant and nothing needs to be changed or added.
- All goals are still relevant, but I would like to add an additional goal. (Please fill in your new goal, so we can update the spreadsheet.)

Some goals are relevant and some need to be changed. (Please explain below, so we can update your goals in the
spreadsheet.)

The Chabot Fire Technology Program
successfully completed the
reaccreditation process with State
Fire Training. Our new training
facility in partnership with the City
of Hayward Fire Department is not yet
fully open, so we are still working
through the objectives we established
related to the facility to determine
if we will continue with all of the
goals or if we need to scale back the
ramp-up of the training courses we
hope to restore. We need to maintain
compliance with all safety
requirements for operating a fire
academy and firefighter field
internship program.

None of our goals are still relevant. We need to update all of them. (Please provide us with your new goals, so we can update your goals in the spreadsheet.)

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Q12. **Context:** You established goals in Fall 2021 and presumably are well underway in working on these goals. You will be asked to report on the outcomes of these goals in the first year (Fall 2024) of the next comprehensive PAR cycle (PARs submitted in Fall 2024-Fall 2026).

Question: What are the statuses of your program's/area's goals right now?

- All goals are achieved.
- Some goals are achieved and some are in progress.
- All goals are in progress.
- \bigcirc Some goals are in progress and some are not started.
- No goals are started because... (please explain in text box below).

Q13. **Context:** To assess how well you are doing with respect to meeting your program's/area's goals, you included and/or updated <u>expected goal outputs and outcomes</u> in your Fall 2021 and Fall 2022 PARs.

"Outputs" are direct short-term results like # of students served, workshops held, etc. Longer-term goals might also have expected *outcomes*. "Outcomes" are longer-term results, like course success rates or degrees earned. Goals are often measured by whether "outputs" or "outcomes" are achieved. The Office of Research, Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (ORPIE) posts a variety of data for programs/areas to assess goal "outcomes": <u>enrollments and success rates</u>, <u>enrollment management</u>, <u>success rates of online vs</u> hybrid vs face-face-classes, degree and certificate awards, and <u>more</u>. To request additional data for goal assessment, please fill out a <u>research request form</u> by Friday September 22, 2023. ORPIE will process requests in the order received. ORPIE will let you know whether they have the requested data and/or how

your program/area could collect your own.

Question: So far, what is going well regarding completing your program's/area's goals? Please include reflections on achievement of outputs or outcomes.

We are seeing a slow return of students by restoring the in-person classes. Also, there is renewed interest by students in our fire academy now that we restored the evening and weekend training option. We are making progress at the Hayward Fire Training Center, but the facility is not fully open so we are only progressing on the objectives within our control.

Q37. **Question:** What are some challenges regarding completing your program's/area's goals? Please include reflections on challenges with producing outputs or outcomes so far.

The transition to the Hayward Fire Training Center has been slow as the facility is not fully operational. Considerable staff time has been spent to move from the former training center in San Leandro to the Chabot Campus, then incremental movement of instructional and student resources from campus to the Hayward Fire Training Center while the academy classes are in progress. Half of last year was spent completing the program reaccreditation process with State Fire Training, limiting the program coordinator's time and ability to perform coordination activities during the semester. Although the goals are still valid, many remain in standby mode as staff time is committed to managing the facility onboarding issues for both Fire and EMS programs and training a new full time fire academy instructor. The pending loss of our Administrative Assistant to a new position will further put the program behind in achieving all of the previously established goals.

Q14. Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) and Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)

Q41. **Context:** Assessment for SLOs and PLOs happens at varying times of year on a five-year cycle. SLO and PLO assessments are submitted in CurricUNET/META. Please take a look at the <u>SLO Completion</u> <u>Report</u>* and the <u>PLO Completion Report</u>* to answer the questions below. If you have any questions about how to find your prior assessments, please email the co-chairs of Outcomes and Assessment Committee Julie Coan (<u>jcoan@chabotcollege.edu</u>) and Safiyyah Forbes (<u>sforbes@chabotcollege.edu</u>), or the curriculum specialist Meray Aghyarian (<u>maghyarian@Chabotcollege.edu</u>).

Q15. Question: Is the assessment for all SLOs in your program up to date?

⊖ Yes

Almost. We just need to assess SLOs in 1-3 courses. (Please fill in courses due for SLO assessments and the date you plan to complete those.)



No. We have to assess SLOs in 4 or more courses. (Please fill in courses in need of SLO assessments and the date you plan to complete those.)

All of them need to be completed in Curricunet

Q16. Question: Has your program completed a PLO assessment in the last five years?

⊖ Yes

• No. Please explain why and include when you will complete the updated PLO assessment.

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Q17. **Context:** Chabot strives to continually improve how we serve students and the community (assessment and continuous improvement are also requirements for accreditation). In your SLO assessments in CurricUNET/META, you are asked: "Based on assessment results, what actions might your discipline take to improve student learning?" Similarly, in the prior PLO assessments you were asked to describe "recommended changes/actions," and in the updated PLO assessments you are asked, "What are you planning to start doing, stop doing or change in order to continuously improve your program?" In the comprehensive PAR year (not this update year), you will be asked to report back on how your actions to improve SLOs and PLOs impacted student learning. In this update year, we are simply reminding you that your actions and plans to improve student learning, based on SLO/PLO assessment results, should be underway.

If you want to see how you responded to these SLO/PLO continuous improvement questions:

• Go to the SLO Completion Report and the PLO Completion Report.

• Look up your program by division, subject, and program name. There will be a hyperlinked "x" in the column for the year in which you submitted your SLO/PLO assessments.

• Click on the "x" and you can look up what you submitted as plans for SLO and PLO continual improvements (i.e., your responses to the questions on actions to improve student learning and continuously improve your program).

If you have any questions about how to find your prior assessments, please email the curriculum specialist Meray Aghyarian (<u>maghyarian@chabotcollege.edu</u>).

Question: Please check one of the following boxes to describe how your discipline is doing with regards to plans/actions for improving student learning based on SLO/PLO assessment data.

- Great! We have made significant progress in implementing our plans to improve student learning and our program.
- Good. We have started some actions, but we still have work to do.
- Not so good. We haven't started yet. Please fill in your plans to address below. (Example fictitious response: "Based on our SLO assessment in Fall 2021, we decided we wanted to build lessons specifically geared towards boosting students' scientific writing skills. But with Covid-19 hitting and having to constantly pivot with online and face-to-face modalities, we just haven't had time to work on the lesson plan. In our discipline meeting this December, we will

invite all full-time faculty, part-time faculty and our Dean and we will put together a team to work on the lesson plan.")

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Q18. Service Area Outcomes (SAOs)

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q19. **Context:** At least two Service Area Outcomes (SAOs) should be assessed once every five years. Please take a look at the <u>SAO 2022 Assessment Update Spreadsheet</u> to answer the following.

Question: Please check the statement that best describes your program's/area's SAO assessments.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q20. From Goals and SLO/PLO/SAO Continuous Improvement Plans to Resource Requests

Q21. **Context:** The basis for Chabot's resource allocation process is grounded in reflections on: 1) PAR goals, 2) plans for improving student learning that are grounded in SLO and PLO assessment results, and 3) SAO assessment results. Please consider what augmentations or new resources might be needed to achieve: 1) your PAR goals, 2) plans to improve student learning, and/or 3) reach SAOs.

Question: Which of your PAR goals, plans for improving student learning, and/or plans for reaching SAOs will need augmented or new resources?

**Note you will still need to enter resource requests into Cognito after submitting your PAR on Qualtrics.

The most important resource need for the Fire Technology Program is the safety and training equipment used by students at the Fire Training Center and with the Work Experience internships. We have addressed the Fire Prevention Inspector program needs last year. Second is the training of faculty and staff on how to safely operate the training center props that students will be using. Third is the repairs and maintenance of the resources used by Chabot College for the academy training. And fourth is the need for faculty assistance to update the curriculum and articulate 4-year institutions. Finally, we need better marketing support of our programs and opportunities.

Q22. Optional: Campus-wide Reflection on Current Issues

This optional section of the update-year PAR contains question(s) on current issues impacting our campus.

Q40. **Question:** Though slowly improving, Chabot's enrollment is far from reaching pre-COVID-pandemic levels. This impacts our funding. What are your thoughts on how we should respond? (e.g., ensuring smooth

process for students from application to enrollment, mass retention campaign, mass marketing, planning for a smaller college, providing in-person/hybrid/hyflex course instruction and service delivery, other?)

We need better marketing and should consider an ISA option with the Hayward Fire Department, much like LPC has with Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department. We are NOT seeking an ISA model like the Sheriff's Academy. ISA's can generate FTES above our current pre-employment student attendance in Fire Technology courses.

Q43. **Question:** As you know, President Cooks assumed the role of Chabot's 10th College President on August 1, 2023. If your program/area could tell President Cooks one thing he needs to know about your program/area, what would it be?

Public Safety Career Education Programs have significant complex issues that need to be considered and supported with sufficient resources to help our
student demographic achieve their educational goals. In addition to the resource requests, we need effective marketing of our programs equivalent to the
marketing efforts of LPC.

Q24. Thank you for completing the annual update questions for the Fall 2023 PAR! **But WAIT!! You might not be quite done yet...**

Resource Requests: Have you completed all your resource requests? If not, go to the <u>Resource Requests</u> <u>Form</u> to add or update requests for: contracts and services, equipment; facilities; human resources; professional development, travel and conferences; supplies and software; or technology.

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