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**LINKS** (Where appropriate, link the above outcome to Goals, Objectives, and/or strategies found in the plans listed below:

**BOARD OF REGENTS MASTER PLAN:**

**GOAL I: Increase Opportunities for Student Access and Success.**
Objective 4. Increase the three-year graduation rate at community colleges and the six-year graduation rate at baccalaureate degree-granting institutions by a combined total of 5 percentage points by 2005.

Goal II: Ensure Quality and Accountability.
Objective 2. Achieve 100 percent accreditation of "mandatory" programs by 2005.

**LSUE STRATEGIC PLAN: (Blueprint for the Future) GOAL 1: Objective 1.1:** Increase annual retention rate for first year to second year student persistence by 1% per annum and a 3 year cohort graduation rate of 20% for all first-time, full-time, associate degree-oriented freshmen.

**LSUE OPERATIONAL PLAN (FY 2001-2002):**

**OTHER:**

**EXPECTED RESULTS:** Seventy-five percent (75%) of the students admitted to the Radiologic Technology Program will graduate with an Associate Degree in Radiologic Technology in 2 years. Eighty-five percent (85%) of the program graduates will earn an Associate Degree in Radiologic Technology within 3.5 years of the start date of matriculation.

**ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES:** The Program Director of Radiologic Technology will determine retention rates by the number of students who entered the radiography program in a given year and completed the RADT courses in sequence and graduated within 2 years divided by the number of students accepted into the program for that given year.

The number of students who re-entered the program will be tracked through their date of graduation. This number will be added to the number who completed the program within two years. That total will be divided by the number of students accepted into the program for the above given year.
**RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSESSMENT:** The Program Director of Radiologic Technology will calculate percentage retention rate for each class admitted annually in May. The Program Director will evaluate and analyze data and make recommendations to the RADT faculty for approval.

**USE OF ASSESSMENT FINDINGS:** Data regarding retention rates will be used to assist the program faculty in recognizing the need for changes in student assistance, tutorials or counseling, and/or curriculum changes to improve retention rates.
SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT FINDINGS:
Of the 22 students admitted to the Radiologic Technology Program, 17 graduated upon successful
completion of the program, which results as a 77.3% completion rate.

Of the 5 students who did not complete the program with the original class, none have re-entered the
program and graduated within 3.5 years.

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROGRAM/FUNCTION IMPROVEMENT:

The program outcome regarding seventy-five percent (75%) of the students admitted to the
Radiologic Technology Program will graduate with an Associate Degree in Radiologic Technology in
2 years was met. No recommendations were made at this time.

The program outcome regarding eighty-five percent (85%) of the program graduates will earn an
Associate Degree in Radiologic Technology within 3.5 years of the start date of matriculation was not
met.

Recommendations: A faculty meeting was held on May 13, 2002. The faculty supported strategies to
obtain figures on retention rates. The faculty will continue to advise the students appropriately
regarding the program in Radiologic Technology. The faculty will also continue to offer the course of
RADT 1000 (Introduction to Radiography). The course will be revised as needed as the technology
and profession of radiologic technology grow.
Note: Side 2 of this form is to be completed by the department head by September 15. Assessment results and departmental recommendations will be reviewed by the Administrative Council prior to the end of September.