

**PROGRAM REVIEW IMPLEMENTATION PLAN  
ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT  
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE 2022-2023 PROGRESS  
REPORT**

**Recommendation 1.** Revisit and update the Operating Agreement (originally executed in July 2020) between Martin-Gatton CAFE and CoD. Take steps to ensure LA program autonomy and support as transition to the Reynolds Building proceeds. (UK Strategic Plan TTA2&3)

**Assessment method:** Signed MOU and relocation to Gray Design Building

**Results:** Work on the MOU is underway and we anticipate moving into the Gray design building by March 2024

**Analysis of results and reflection:** We will continue to address new and developing opportunities in the MoU and our move into the Gray Design Building as needed. The MoU will be reassessed every 3-years.

**Ongoing improvement actions:** A review and subsequent changes to the current MoU is planned for December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Following this meeting with faculty/staff, department chair will work with Tim West and other college administrators to finalize and sign.

**Recommendation 2.** Ensure current facilities in E.S. Good Barn and Ag North are safe and support student recruitment, retention, success, and wellness. (UK Strategic Plan SF1 and OP1)

**Assessment method:** Security enhancements completed at E.S. Good Barn

**Results:** Installation of security enhancements is complete and students report confidence in safety while entering and leaving E.S. Good Barn

**Analysis of results and reflection:** Due to our impending move to the Gray Design Building, we will not continue to report on enhancements related to E.S. Good Barn as we will no longer inhabit the building.

**Ongoing improvement actions:** The M-G CAFE and next inhabitants of the E.S. Good Barn will continue to benefit from the security enhancements. We have been assured by capital projects and central administration that student security is a priority in and around the Gray Design Building and we will continue to assess security needs as appropriate.

**Recommendation 3.** Develop long-range plans to address stability and growth in the department. (UK Strategic Plan MPOC1)

**Assessment method:** Strategic Planning meeting in winter 2022, successful hiring of faculty positions (focus on DEI &A in search), funding for AC position.

**Results:** Current enrollment is approaching capacity with respect to physical space and instructional capacity (Studio instruction 15:1 student : faculty accreditation ratio). Discussions are underway to determine opportunities for growth if they exist. Our current incoming studio class is at 33 with prior class at 28. We anticipate growth with university growth but will need to become creative in addressing the student faculty ratio.

**Analysis of results and reflection:** Beginning Fall 2024, we will reimplement Pre-LA designation and provide entrance objectives to control enrollment. Faculty, with leadership from chair, DUS, and Academic Coordinator are working through possibilities from multiple aspects.

**Ongoing improvement actions:** We continue to assess our enrollment and student application processes. Growth in the new Gray Design Building will be limited due to our current MoU (being reassessed). Our current goal is to have 30-students in the first studio with the understanding that there will be attrition because it is not for everyone.

**Recommendation 4.** Continue excellence in instruction through high-impact practices that support student success (UK Strategic Plan SF2&4 and II1).

**Assessment method:** Identify and implement strategies for enhancement of high-impact practices and curriculum review.

**Results:** We have implemented strategies to ensure students understand program fees and anticipated travel costs for domestic travel and study abroad prior to beginning of class. We are discussing opportunities for development of student scholarships funds for study abroad.

**Analysis of results and reflection:**

**Ongoing improvement actions:** Our next industry advisory board meeting will include charging the board with assessing what types of workshops would be most beneficial for our students, and we will then begin developing appropriate workshops as time and faculty capacity permits.

**Recommendation 5.** Increase undergraduate student enrollment in the program while ensuring an appropriate student faculty ratio per accreditation standards (15:1) to maintain excellence in instruction. (UK Strategic Plan SF1,2&4 and MPOC1)

**Assessment method:** Track enrollment growth over time.

**Results:** Our department continually assesses our recruitment strategies since it is a different subset of Martin-Gatton CAFE students. Our academic coordinator works to see what events produce the most value and how we recruit the most and best students over time for our discipline.

**Analysis of results and reflection:** We will continue this strategy using the academic coordinator in this way. The new building is anticipated to create a higher number of recruits and we will need to assess how many incoming students we can handle with our current faculty structure and reassess our numbers, both faculty and students.

**Ongoing improvement actions:** Chair, DUS and AC will assess courses to transfer from local CCs. Will also develop recruitment tools for CCs. Work with Student Chapter ASLA to create possible shared experiences with other organizations.

**Recommendation 6.** Identify strategies and priorities for enhancing land-grant engagement and opportunities for the program to continue to engage in high-impact practices based on community needs. (UK Strategic Plan SF2 and OP4)

**Assessment method:** New extension position working with Climate Resilience and Change.

**Results:** We submitted an Extension faculty position proposal (Urban and Community Climate Migration and Resilience) in August 2023, which was approved with minor modification regarding DOE.

**Analysis of results and reflection:** Hiring a new faculty member who can be highly engaged in community focused and climate resilient design for all the Commonwealth.

**Ongoing improvement actions:** Discussions are underway regarding Extension faculty capacity in the unit and determination of new position options.