GCAC Review Criteria for New Program

Program Name: _____   **Date reviewed:**

	Criteria	GCAC Proposal Evaluation	

1.	RATIONALE, NEED, AND CONTEXT
	a. The rationale for the program is
	relates to specific institutional strengths and/or Strategic Goals.
	b. Impacts on and/or overlap with other programs/departments have been addressed.
	c. Evidence is provided that there is:
	    i) a need for this program at this level
	    ii) workforce or other demand for program graduates
	    iii) a source of students interested in the program
	d. If the program duplicates other degree programs in Chicago/Illinois, a convincing rationale for doing so is provided and/or evidence that a novel/unique niche would be filled by the program is provided.
	e. The proposal indicates steps to be taken to achieve a diverse student body.
		Met with Strength:
		
		Met:
		
		Met with Weakness:
		
		Unmet:
		
		Cannot evaluate:	

2.	COURSE OF STUDY / ACCREDITATION a. The proposal describes an appropriate and sequenced course of study, including a 5-yr schedule of course offerings with faculty assignments. b. Admissions and graduation criteria are clearly specified and appropriate. c. The course of study and credit hours required may be satisfied within a reasonable time to degree. d. In cases in which accreditation is needed, evidence is provided that the program has started the accreditation process or a rationale is provided as to how accreditation will be sought.	**Met with Strength:** **Met:** **Met with Weakness:** **Unmet:** **Cannot evaluate:**	
3.	LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND ASSESSMENT a. The proposal provides learning objectives and methods and means of evaluation. b. Evidence of how the program will be assessed is provided.	**Met with Strength:** **Met:** **Met with Weakness:** **Unmet:** **Cannot evaluate:**	