

IV. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Introduction

Old Dominion University's academic programs are delivered through six colleges: Arts and Letters, Business and Public Administration, Education, Engineering and Technology, Health Sciences, and Sciences. The university's extensive distance-education programs and continuing-education programs are offered through the colleges with support of administrative units such as TELETECHNET. In addition, the Library, student services, administrative and financial services, and institutional advancement also support the academic programs and their students. The Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs has the administrative responsibility for all educational programs.

Old Dominion University offers 64 baccalaureate programs, 66 master's programs, two certificates of advanced study, and 22 doctoral programs. Of degrees awarded in 1999-2000, 1700 (63%) were Bachelor's degrees, 1200 (35%) were Master's degrees, 24 (1%) were Post-master's certificates, and 66 (2%) were doctorates.

As expressed in the University's Mission Statement, the primary functions of the University are to promote the advancement of knowledge and the pursuit of truth. The Major Goals Statement envisions an undergraduate general education program that emphasizes intellectual skill and the breadth of intercultural understanding necessary for personal growth and achievement and responsible citizenship. All graduate programs are rooted in strength of faculty or special geographic advantages, and selected graduate programs aspire to international leadership.

All undergraduate and graduate professional programs offered at Old Dominion University maintain accreditation with their respective national accrediting bodies.

Old Dominion University's undergraduate and graduate educational programs will be described in considerable detail throughout Section IV of this Self-Study Report.