

Criterion 8: Institutional Support

- Partnership between Engineering and Arts & Sciences.
- Interdisciplinary approach, no direct line, not always easy.
- Degrees awarded by Engineering, while A&S pays most costs.
- Engineering Physics committee: Physics (6), CHME, MAE, ECE reps.
- Very small program (35-40 majors, 5-10 graduates per year).
- No program coordinator, no course reduction for EP program head.
- Significant state budget cuts in recent years, no replacement for two lost faculty lines (resignation, retirement), no equipment funds.
- No merit raises since 2014 (faculty) and 2012 (staff), perhaps in Sept. 2018.
- Mostly flat physics operations budget (65 k\$) over 15 years.
- Administrative assistant open for over two years, started last Monday.
- No F&A return to researchers, about 10-15 k\$ to department (IT support).
- About 90k\$ earnings for scholarships, professorship, colloquium/boards.
- Very limited access for EP majors to scholarships (no dept. scholarships).
- Threat: Significant reduction in E-fee expected (15 k\$ to 3 k\$ per year).
- Sufficient support for the program (cash, teaching assistants, tutors. graders, etc).
- No Regents Professor in physics since 2009.