IHE Bachelor Performance Report

Johnson C. Smith University

2013 - 2014

Overview of the Institution

Johnson C. Smith University (JCSU), one of the nation's oldest and strongest historically Black colleges, is a private liberal arts university of more than 1,400 students with a solid reputation for seeking and creating new ways to educate and prepare students as future leaders. JCSU, one of six U.S. colleges selected as a 1996 recipient of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation "genius" grants, was recognized for its innovations in the teaching and learning environment. In addition to these accomplishments, the University has partnerships with several international universities. There is no doubt that it strongly emphasizes teaching with a student/faculty ratio of 17 to 1. JCSU offers 36 major programs of study through the College of Arts and Letters, College of STEM-Science, College of Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, and the College of Professional Studies. A number of specialized programs, including pre-law, pre-medicine, and preengineering, are offered as concentrations from within the three colleges. The Laptop Initiative begun during 2000-2001 academic year to provide all full-time students with a laptop computer has seemingly awakened in students and faculty the desire to use technology in delivering and receiving instruction. As a result, faculty members have infused a variety of teaching/learning strategies and processes into their classes so that students cannot only access and manipulate a wide variety of information, but create new information. As technology becomes more innovative, so is the method of technology that the faculty and students will use. A variety of tablets will be a source of information as well.

The Transformative Vision-In-Mission states "by Academic Year 2013-2014, Johnson C. Smith University will be recognized in North Carolina as Charlotte's premier independent urban University, offering a comprehensive (as defined by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) quality educational and applied research environment. The academy will be defined by a master faculty of teacher-advisors and teacher scholars, of which 85% will have terminal degrees in their fields. The total enrollment of the University will consist of 1775 students, both traditional and non-traditional, 15.8% of whom will come from racial and ethnic groups other than African-American. The undergraduate student population will have a median high school grade point average of 3.10 on a 4.0 scale and a median SAT score of 870. Fifteen graduate students will be enrolled in the University's first graduate program, a Masters of Social Work degree. Students will rate the campus life experience as 4.96 on a scale of 1 to 7 as measured by the Student Satisfaction Inventory. Employee ratings on a standardized survey of operational efficiency will have 64% positive responses. The University will enjoy strong community relations and strategic partnerships with businesses, corporations and professional groups. Furthermore, the University will enjoy a strong financial platform, defined as annual balanced budgets that are augmented by sound fiscal and internal controls, an ever increasing endowment (55 million by 2014) that models best practices and maintaining a healthy balance sheet by keeping unrestricted cash reserves (10 million by 2014) that cover at least one quarter of operations."

Special Characteristics

The Program continues with the theme "Teachers as Reflective Decision Makers in Multifaceted Roles" (roles: master of content, curriculum/instructional designer and instructor, diagnostician, manager, model, teacher leader), which guides the conceptual framework of the Department of Education. The Program provides teacher candidates with content knowledge of curriculum design, the teaching profession, decision-making, and appropriate dispositions to apply reflectively and flexibly in any teaching context. Several courses are structured around a service-learning element. The Teacher Education Program continues to work with a grant that supports innovative methods for improving Praxis scores. The Department of Education has had several grants over the last several years to establish and support a professional development school.

Program Areas and Levels Offered

JCSU currently offers the following programs: (1) Elementary Education K-6, (2) Mathematics Education 9-12, (3) English Education 9-12, (4) Social Studies Education 9-12, (5) Physical Education K-12, and (6) Health Education K-12.

I. SCHOOL/COLLEGE/DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (SCDE) INITIATIVES

A. Direct and Ongoing Involvement with/and Service to the Public Schools

LEAs/Schools with whom the Institution Has Formal Collaborative Plans	Priorities Identified in Collaboration with LEAs/Schools	Activities and/or Programs Implemented to Address the Priorities	Start and End Dates	Number of Participants	Summary of the Outcome of the Activities and/or Programs
JCSU faculty continues to collaborate with Bruns Avenue Elementary School.	The JCSU faculty worked with students Bruns Elementary and Walter G. Byers Schools School in the areas of literacy. Books are needed for children to read at home. Technology was highlighted with student groups.		The initiative with Bruns Elementary School began in the Fall, 2010 and is still on- going in some form.	Bruns Avenue Elementary Schools used these integrated learning activities.	Throughout the academic year, the theme, "Each one Reach One action," children are motivated, stimulated, and inspired to become better readers. Students were very excited to meet faculty from various disciplines and to have the faculty and staff from the university

B. Brief description of unit/institutional efforts to promote SBE priorities.

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					come to the school and read to them.
A partnership has been established with Walter G. Byers Elementary School and third grade class at Albemarle Road Elementary School	encouragement towards higher education were	A 'Celebrity Read-A-Thon' was held at Walter G. Byers Elementary School and a "Go to College' T-Shirt Promotion was provided to students at Albemarle Road Elementary School	During the 2013- 2014 academic year, the activities with Walter G. Byers Elementary School were offered during the fall semester; whereas the activity with Albemarle Road Elementary School was offered during the spring.	During the summer, approximately 50 students K- 8 were involved in the summer programs	Children at Albemarle Road Elementary School were taken aback and inspired to receive the university's T- Shirt.
		JCSU sponsors a summer camp/program for students each summer. JCSU provides in-kind services which are designed to be a free, literacy- based learning experience that integrates conflict resolution and social action in programs that promote social, cultural, and historical awareness.			

For the 2013-14 report, briefly describe your current efforts or future plans to respond to the recent legislative provisions below.

a) All candidates are prepared to use digital and other instructional technologies to provide high-quality, integrated digital teaching and learning to all students.

The university has provided students and faculty with on-going workshops and seminars on the use of iPads, tablets as an instructional tool in the classroom. In addition, on-going workshops are available for an introduction to new Apps and websites to interact not only with the content but also with the instructor. All students will receive iPads or tablets to use in their classrooms.

b) Assess elementary and special education: general curriculum candidates prior to licensure to determine that they possess the requisite knowledge in scientifically based reading and mathematics instruction that is aligned with the State Board's expectations. Describe your efforts for ensuring candidates are prepared for the new Foundations of Reading and General Curriculum licensure exams effective October 1, 2014.

The Teacher Education Committee met and contacted the content faculty regarding the State Board's expectation that candidates possess the requisite knowledge in reading and mathematics instruction. The faculty member who teaches Foundations of Reading attended the regional meetings and is aware of the new content. In addition, faculty prepared upcoming students with a practice test.

c) Candidates (preparing to teach in elementary schools) are prepared to apply formative and summative assessments within the school and classroom setting through technology-based assessment systems available in North Carolina schools that measure and predict expected student improvement.

Preservice candidates have been required to use formative assessments and summative assessments throughout their year-long Internship I and Internship II Program. They formally present their assessments to the Department Education faculty. Rubrics are used to assess the candidates.

d) Candidates (preparing to teach in elementary schools) are prepared to integrate arts education across the curriculum.

The Education Faculty attended the two RESA meetings which highlighted integrating arts across the curriculum. Teacher candidates will continue to integrate arts across the curriculum with additional emphasis on the importance of how it can enhance the classroom experience. Through integrating the arts, students will have multiple opportunities to acquire new knowledge and skills. The teacher candidates will focus on the "Arts Integration Standards."

II. CHARACTERISTICS OF STUDENTS

	Full Time			
	Male		Female	
Undergraduate	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	1
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin	1	Black, Not Hispanic Origin	Ī
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	
	Total	1	Total	
Licensure-Only	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin		Black, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	
	Total		Total	
	Part Time			
	Male		Female	
Undergraduate	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin		Black, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	
	Total		Total	
Licensure-Only	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	1
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin		Black, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	1
	Total		Total	1

A. Headcount of students formally admitted to and enrolled in programs leading to licensure.

B. Lateral Entry/Provisionally Licensed Teachers Refers to individuals employed by public schools on lateral entry or provisional licenses.

Program Area	Number of Issued Program of Study Leading to Licensure	Number Enrolled in One or More Courses Leading to Licensure
Prekindergarten (B- K)		
Elementary (K-6)		
Middle Grades (6-9)		
Secondary (9-12)		
Special Subject Areas (k-12)		
Exceptional Children (K-12)		
Total	0	0
Comment or Explanation	on:	
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C. Quality of students admitted to programs during report year.

	Baccalaureate
MEAN SAT Total	N/A
MEAN SAT-Math	*
MEAN SAT-Verbal	N/A
MEAN ACT Composite	N/A
MEAN ACT-Math	N/A
MEAN ACT-English	N/A
MEAN PPST-Combined	N/A
MEAN PPST-R	N/A
MEAN PPST-W	N/A
MEAN PPST-M	N/A
MEAN CORE-Combined	N/A
MEAN CORE-R	N/A
MEAN CORE-W	N/A
MEAN CORE-M	N/A
MEAN GPA	3.65
Comment or Explanation:	
*-Less than five scores reported	

D. Program Completers (reported by IHE).

Program Area	Baccalaureate Degree		Undergraduate Licensure Only	
PC Completed program but has not applied for or is not eligible to apply for a license LC Completed program and applied for license	PC	LC	РС	LC
Prekindergarten (B-K)				
Elementary (K-6)	5			
Middle Grades (6-9)				
Secondary (9-12)		3		
Special Subject Areas (K-12)				
Exceptional Children (K-12)				
Vocational Education (7-12)				
Special Service Personnel				
Total	5	3		
Comment or Explanation:				

E. Scores of student teachers on professional and content area examinations.

	2012 - 2013 Student Teacher Licensure Pass Rate			
Specialty Area/Professional Knowledge	Number Taking Test	Percent Passing		
Elementary Education	9	56		
Institution Summary	9	56		
* To protect confidentiality of student records, mean scores based on fewer than five test takers were not printed.				

F. Time from admission into professional education program until program completion.

		Ful	l Time			
	3 or fewer semesters	4 semesters	5 semesters	6 semesters	7 semesters	8 semesters
Baccalaureate degree	1					
U Licensure Only	1					
		Par	rt Time			
	3 or fewer semesters	4 semesters	5 semesters	6 semesters	7 semesters	8 semesters
Baccalaureate degree						
U Licensure Only						
Comment or Ex	planation					
No part time stud	dents.					

G. Undergraduate program completers in NC Schools within one year of program completion.

2012-2013	Student Teachers	Percent Licensed	Percent Employed
Bachelor Institution	12	50	17
Bachelor State	4,528	86	59

H. Top10 LEAs employing teachers affiliated with this college/university. Population from which this data is drawn represents teachers employed in NC in 2013-2014.

LEA	Number of Teachers
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schs	145
Gaston Co Schs	7
Wake Co Schs	7
Union Co Schs	6

I. Satisfaction of program completers/employers with the program in general and with specific aspects of the program, as rated on a 1 (lowest) to 4 (highest) scale.

III. Teacher Education Faculty

Appointed full-tin in professional education	e Appointed part-time in professional education, full- time in institution	Appointed part-time in professional education, not otherwise employed by institution
2		3