



**Program Review Process Advisory Council
Agenda
January 26, 2026, 10-11am**

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1. Welcome and Opening Remarks (5 Minutes)
2. Updates on Draft Regulations & Feedback Incorporation (15 Minutes)
 - a. Undergraduate Exceptions: Confirm the formalization of the rule that undergraduate programs using existing resources are exempt from objection.
 - b. Professional vs. Academic Criteria: Distinguishing professional degrees from scholarly/academic ones.
3. Duplication Analysis: Deep Dive (15 Minutes)
 - a. Unreasonable Duplication: Revisit the two-step analysis
 - b. Admission Criteria: Discuss the inclusion of admissions criteria as a potential distinguishing factor in the duplication analysis
 - c. Modality: Discuss using modality as a factor in the duplication analysis
 - d. Collaboration: Discuss the "good faith effort" definition for collaborations
4. LOI Process and Operational Updates (10 Minutes)
 - a. Brief overview of recent LOIs from the latest submission batch.
5. Review Next Steps
 - a. Next meeting date – April 20
6. Other Business

2026 Meeting Schedule (3rd Monday, 10am-11am):

January 26 (pushed back 1 week due to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

April 20

May 18

June 15

August 17

September 21

October 19

November 16

December 14 (pushed up 1 week due to various winter break start dates)

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