

## RDA Accreditation Program

Peer Review Panel Assignment

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The RDA Accreditation Program recognizes the importance of a rigorous and objective peer review process for assessing your deanship's readiness for accreditation. Here's how the peer review panel assignment works:

1. Panel Composition:

- The RDA Program will establish a panel of 4-6 esteemed reviewers with relevant expertise in your deanship's research focus areas.
- This expertise may include specific research fields, methodologies, or administrative aspects of research management.
- Each panel member will bring diverse perspectives and experiences to ensure a comprehensive and balanced evaluation.
- 2. Selection Criteria:
  - Reviewers are chosen based on the following criteria:
    - Academic standing: Renowned scholars and research leaders with significant publications and grant successes.
    - Expertise alignment: Expertise in research areas closely aligned with your deanship's core strengths and focus areas.
    - Experience with RDA Standards: Familiarity with the RDA accreditation standards and experience participating in peer review processes.
    - No conflict of interest: Reviewers will be carefully selected to avoid any potential conflicts of interest with your institution or its personnel.
- 3. Disclosure and Feedback:
  - You will be provided with the names and brief professional profiles of the assigned reviewers before the site visit.

- You can request any clarifications or raise concerns about potential conflicts of interest with the RDA Program.
- After the site visit, you will receive a detailed report from the panel summarizing their findings, recommendations, and areas for improvement.

4. Benefits of Peer Review:

- The peer review process provides valuable insights and feedback from recognized experts in your field.
- It helps you identify strengths and weaknesses in your deanship's performance against the RDA standards.
- The recommendations received can guide your improvement efforts and strengthen your preparedness for accreditation.

5. Transparency and Fairness:

- The RDA Program is committed to ensuring a transparent and fair peer review process.
- Reviewers are bound by strict confidentiality guidelines and ethical codes.
- You have the right to appeal any aspect of the review process if you have concerns.

By leveraging the expertise of a dedicated peer review panel, the RDA Accreditation Program ensures a thorough and objective assessment of your deanship's progress towards research excellence. This feedback allows you to refine your practices, address any shortcomings, and ultimately demonstrate your readiness for achieving the prestigious RDA accreditation.

Remember, the peer review process is an opportunity for your deanship to learn, grow, and ultimately showcase its commitment to fostering a thriving research environment.