

OSU COM FAME/CTT Peer Review Program Overview

Who/What?

Peers (other faculty members or other health care professionals involved in the educational mission of the college, trainees are not peers) sit in on lectures, attend teaching rounds, or shadow other clinical teaching activities to provide feedback to teaching faculty. It is recommended that senior or master teachers in one's own department or the college serve as peer reviewers. CTT/FAME has trained a group of OSU OM CTT/FAME Peer Reviewers and they can be viewed on the OSU FAME Education Programs web page. This process is a review of content and the teaching and learning process using structured observation forms that cover common criteria for "good" lecturing or clinical teaching (see LARGE CLASSROOM, SMALL GROUP TEACHING, CLINICAL TEACHING [STANFORD FD] FORMS).

How?

1. Faculty member initiates Peer Review (PR) by contacting CTT/FAME administrator (Bev Trout) through OSU FAME Education Programs web page [faculty member may suggest desired Peer Reviewers who may be in or outside of Department] or email.
2. Faculty member chooses format and completes Self-Assessment [see suggested format table] and communicates the evaluation process and goals with Peer Reviewer prior to PR.
3. The Peer Reviewer uses the appropriate OSU COM CTT Peer Review of Teaching form to document the review.
4. After the Peer Review observation, the Peer Reviewer and the faculty member discuss what was observed with any suggestions for improvement [by meeting, phone or email].
5. The faculty member receives copy of completed form for her/his review and record.
6. If desired by the faculty member, a letter/memorandum summarizing the evaluation is prepared by Peer Reviewer which serves as documentation for formative feedback and for the faculty member's P&T file (see SAMPLE LETTER).
7. PR form is filed with the CTT/FAME Peer Review Program unless the faculty member decides to not have it stored there. Peer Reviewer clarifies this with faculty member and if desired, the form is sent to Bev Trout for CTT/FAME PR files (and is available to faculty member from this repository in future).
8. Peer Reviewer completes online documentation that PR was performed.

Why?

- To reinforce "good" teaching characteristics and suggest areas for improvement.
- To develop documentation for P&T that is consistent with University guidelines.
- To provide a "teachable" moment for faculty development.
- To facilitate reflective improvement of teaching when conducted over time.

Who

- CTT members, LSI Expert Educators and experienced OSU faculty are trained and available to provide peer review of your teaching. [List of trained reviewers available on the OSU FAME Education Program web page]
- Contact Bev Trout for more information and a peer reviewer.

When and Where?

It is up to the faculty and peer to decide. At least one documented peer review per year is recommended.

We are excited about offering this Peer Review opportunity to our faculty!
Any questions, please contact me at John.mahan@nationwidechildrens.org

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Faculty Peer Review of Teaching in LSI

Overview – Peer Review process is designed to:

1. Help assist faculty in continual improvement of teaching
2. Improve the LSI experience for learners
3. Provide opportunities for educational program enhancement

Faculty Information:

1. OSU COM Peer Review of Teaching (PRT) process focuses on instructor/teacher development by starting at what area the faculty member particularly desires assessment and feedback
2. The PRT is completed by LSI Expert Educator faculty or a member of the OSU COM Courage to Teach Peer Review Group assigned by educational leadership to do the Peer Review
3. There are no 'grades' required of teaching faculty
4. All faculty will eventually receive PRT
5. The faculty (instructor) may indicate preference for a specific Peer Reviewer; assignment will be made by education leaders
6. The instructor initiates process by identifying areas for particular emphasis by the reviewer
7. The instructor completes a self-assessment as part of understanding process and chance for reflection; this may be incorporated into the debriefing session at the instructor's discretion
8. Opportunities for feedback on the educational program from the instructor to educational leaders is available as part of the process
9. The Peer Reviewer discusses/debriefs the teaching activities and review with the instructor at the end of the teaching session or later by phone/personal meeting
10. The instructor receives a copy of the PRT form suitable for inclusion into P&T her/his dossier