## 2013-14 Program Review

## **Best Practices Form**

Instructions: Submit this form as a separate attachment with your completed Program Review. Programs often do something particularly well; usually they have learned through assessment—sometimes trial and error—what solves a problem or makes their programs work so well. These are often called *Best Practices* and can help others. Please share the practices your program has found to be effective. The contact information lets others know whom to contact for more information. This part of Program Review is linked to the Student Success Strategic Goal: "Become an exemplary model of student success by developing and implementing best practices." For examples of Best Practices visit the <a href="Program Review Committee's website">Program Review Committee's website</a>.

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## **Best Practice(s):**

With a newly elected chair, the BC philosophy department plans on getting together to exchange ideas related to best practices in the classroom. To date, no formal, only informal, discussions have taken place. But we plan on making formal opportunities a priority this year. Some informal comments are expressed below:

1) We make it a priority to memorize our students' names. To this end, we support the strategy of writing each of the students' names down on 3x5 notecards and placing these notecards in the rows on the front table matching the actual rows and seats where the students actually sit. It acts as a quick reference guide until sooner rather than later the names are memorized.