The memorandum entitled "Procedures for Submission of Academic Program Proposals" (Vol. 73, No. 48), indicates that an academic program proposal should show evidence of long-range planning to include an exposition of the relation of the proposed program to existing programs at other institutions in the service area, region, and State.

For regional considerations, it is important that all State University Presidents within a coordinating area be informed of a proposed program. Evidence that they have been so informed should be available at the time of program review by central administration.

It is not the intention to specify particular procedures for regional program review or to establish a new bureaucratic level between the individual campus President and the central administration. The Coordinating Area Presidents' Councils provide one way in which regional considerations can be investigated. It remains, however, the responsibility of the campus President to consider the relationship of his proposed academic program to existing programs and to keep his colleagues informed of his plans.

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