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I appreciate the work of the program review team (Drs. Richard Clemmer-Smith and Sue Harley), and of the Anthropology Program faculty in compiling their self-study and responding

The report finds the Anthropology program to be overall a strong one, with highly-qualified, dedicated faculty who provide excellent hands-on learning experiences for their students, including archaeological field and lab work and study abroad opportunities. They praise the

with external communities. I agree with their assessment. The report does have a number of recommendations; I will respond to them \_\_\_\_\_s), grouped by topic.

Additional tenure-track line and new upper-level courses in biological anthropology  
(Recommendations #1 and 5)

The program received a new tenure-track line (its fifth) effective in Fall, 2015. (The individual who was hired left after one year, and after a one-year hiatus, is being replaced by a new tenure-track faculty member, in

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Linguistics minor into the General Anthropology track electives section for students interested in anthropological linguistics.

Assessment procedures and measures (Recommendations #7 and 8)

The program will investigate using measures of student learning above and beyond grades (such as pre- and post-testing) in most of their courses. They will also discuss establishment of a program-wide learning threshold. I believe these are reasonable responses.

Revisiting the mission statement (Recommendation #9)

The program faculty agree to review the mission statement to make changes reflecting new emphases in a number of their courses.

assist its faculty in their work of further quality enhancement.