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DRG Homepage
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Need Help with Program Review?

DRG consultants are available to assist departments with program review, curriculum development, assessment, department retreats, and teaching workshops. In addition, the DRG offers a mentoring program for sociologists who have a taken on a leadership role within their department, such as department chair, division coordinator, or graduate studies director. DRG consultants receive training at each ASA Annual Meeting and are in regular communication throughout the year about trends, data, and new resources that can help build strong departments. DRG consultants are dedicated to empowering department chairs and faculty during periods of self-reflection, external review, or general department revitalization. To learn more about the DRG, click on one of the services below.

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DRG Member Area

Privacy
The process for getting the services of a DRG consultant begins with filling out the on-line Initial Client Questionnaire. This helps us get a better idea of your department's specific issues and needs. Once we receive your completed questionnaire, within 3 weeks we will send you a list of 3-5 DRG consultants who might be good “matches” for your department, along with their CVs and a Consultant Statement of Approach. Departments can then contact the consultants directly to determine who would be the best fit for the department's needs. Once a consultant is selected, the department makes all subsequent arrangements directly with that person.

Click here to fill out the DRG Initial Client Questionnaire

Fees and Expenses

When DRG consultants make site visits, their travel expenses are covered by the college or university they visit, and they also receive an honorarium to compensate for pre-visit preparation, the time involved with their travel and the actual site visit, as well as time spent writing the final report (if required). As a guideline, we suggest an honorarium of at least $500 per day, depending on the details of the report that is needed and the typical amount paid to external reviewers and other consultants on campus.

Still have questions?

For additional assistance, contact:

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Also see: DRG Off-Site Consulting and DRG Mentors Program
DRG Offsite Consultations

As the name implies, an off-site consultation takes place primarily through phone conversations, web-based video conferencing (such as Skype) and document exchange. The professional consultation is designed to support a specific project or activity within a department, program, or division. The length of the consultation is negotiated by the consultant and the hiring institution and depends on the nature of the project or activity.

Examples of projects or activities include: development of an assessment plan; curriculum revision; or the development of a new major, graduate program, or certificate. DRG off-site consultations cannot include mediating departmental or institutional conflicts, or acting as an advisor on personnel decisions.

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**Fees and Expenses**

Payment for services is on an hourly basis, negotiated between the consultant and the institution, with a recommended rate of at least $75 an hour.

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The DRG Mentors Program is designed to provide one-on-one support, feedback, advice, and coaching to sociologists who have taken on a leadership role such as department chair, division coordinator, or graduate studies director. The purpose of the mentorship is not to help individuals with their own publication or teaching, but rather to focus on becoming a more effective actor in a particular institutional role. Meetings with DRG mentors generally take place through phone conversations, email, and web-based video conferencing (such as Skype). The length of mentoring relationships is negotiated on a case-by-case basis, but typically extends over six to twelve months.

The process for getting matched with a mentor begins with filling out the DRG Mentors Application.

Fees and Expenses

There is no charge for the DRG Mentors Program.

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