

## 9.5 Nomenclature Change Procedures

- 9.5.1 Programs that intend to change degree title must meet the following criteria:
- a) They must first have a 6-year term of accreditation for their current program.
  - b) They must submit a special report describing any proposed changes. The report should also include from the most recent *APR* the sections responding to Condition 12, Professional Degrees and Curriculum, and Condition 13, Student Performance Criteria. It should also include the planned first year of graduation of students in the new program and the last year of graduation of the students in the former program.
- 9.5.2 The NAAB then appoints a team of two to review the report. One of the two will be an NAAB director and, if possible, the other will be from the team that most recently reviewed the program in a regular accreditation visit. One will be a practitioner; one will be an academic. One of the two will be appointed team chair. The NAAB will provide the team with the program's most recent *VTR* and any *Annual Reports* submitted by the program since its last accreditation visit. Any additional information the team needs will be negotiated between the chair and the administrator of the program.
- 9.5.3 After reviewing the report, the team will make a recommendation to the NAAB on whether the team should visit the school. Programs may also request a visit, if such a visit would be helpful. If no visit is deemed necessary, the team will write an evaluation of the school's plan and submit it to the Board, along with the report from the program, for Board action.

## 9.6 Phasing Out Programs

A program that intends to close must maintain compliance with the NAAB conditions for accreditation. During a phase-out period, students who enrolled in the accredited degree program must be able to complete their entire course of study, with the necessary resources, as accredited by the NAAB.