Name of the Program: Journal of Chinese Philosophy

Program as used in this prioritization process can be a specialization, section, division, field of study, center, degree program, etc. The unit head, in collaboration with others as appropriate, must determine the level of analysis required.

How long has the program existed: 36 years

Department/School/College: Philosophy/Arts & Humanities

The department would fall under which of the following Vice Chancellor’s offices?

- [x] Academic Affairs
- Research and Graduate Education
- Student Services
- Administration, Finance, and Operations

How does the program fit into the larger administrative unit? (Describe in two or three sentences.)
This Journal was founded by, and continues to be edited by, a faculty member in the Philosophy Department. It helps establish the Department’s International reputation in the field of Chinese Philosophy.

Briefly describe the program (no more than half a page):

JCP is published for the purpose of the development, articulation and promotion of research scholarship in the field of Chinese philosophy.
Optional Guide for Administrative and Other Operations

• What are the main goals and objectives of the program?
JCP is published for the purpose of development, articulation and promotion of research scholarship in the field of Chinese philosophy which covers Classical Chinese philosophy schools, Neo-Confucian Schools, Chinese Buddhist Schools, Contemporary Chinese Philosophy Schools and contemporary comparative studies in Chinese-Western philosophy and East-West Philosophy. It provides a forum and platform for scholarly publications of research results from relevant scholars worldwide (including US, European and Asian universities and academies). These scholarly publications are highly needed for increasing efficiency of teaching of Chinese philosophy at universities on both undergraduate and graduate levels. They are resources and sources for development of philosophy of mankind in this age of globalization. It is essential for maintaining the name, fame and prestige of University of Hawaii at Manoa known as a center for study of East-West traditions.

• What are the services it provides, and to whom (students, faculty staff, donors, other)?
It provides information, understanding, knowledge, inspiration and enlightenment for students, faculty, independent researchers, government policy makers and even intellectual businessmen or businesswomen in regard to questions related to Chinese philosophy in particular and to Chinese culture, society and tradition in general.

• What services does it receive from others?
Subscriptions and contributed articles which are either submitted or invited for special issues. A rigorous peer review process will apply to all submissions.

• On what tasks/services does this program collaborate with others?
JCP has sponsored and held in 1988 an International Conference on Democracy and Justice East and West at East-West Center with support from the UH Peace Institute. The conference was a highly successful one and has produced a volume of papers edited by me and a Professor James Hsiung of Department of Politics at New York Universality. Presently, the Journal is in the process of co-sponsoring an International Conference on Kant and Unity of Mankind to be held and supported by Hong Kong Baptist University in Hong Kong in May 2009.

• Are these services elsewhere available at the University? In the surrounding community?
No, there is no substitute for such services available either at the University or in the surrounding community. JCP is unique in the world as there is no other publication comparable to it in its concentration, heritage, scope, dedication and achievement of 35 years. This is because these services require specialized knowledge, information and background values to make them successful and to bring good results. For successful provision of these services one also needs dedication, specialty, organization, solidarity, commitment and leadership with a history of time and experience.

• What is the funding source(s) (state, self-sustaining, grants, etc)? At what level?
This Journal is self-funded from its beginning 36 years ago. In 1973 the first issue of the first volume of this quarterly was published with the editor’s own funds. For 15 years it had been exclusively funded by the editor. After the first 11 years we started to balance out with subscriptions. At the present day the Wiley-Blackwell publishes the Journal with no deficit and we are given a small amount of subsidy for hiring some editorial help.

• Are there needs and demands for services that the program cannot meet? What are they, and how do they relate to the University’s mission?
The Journal could grow larger and more influential as time goes by as Chinese philosophy is part of the growing field of Chinese studies. The Journal has enhanced and continued to enhance the prestige of this University in the last 35 years of publication since its beginning in 1973. It has helped to make our Philosophy Program at this University stronger and even a center for study of Chinese philosophy and Chinese-Western philosophy in both US and in the world. In the last 35 years it has attracted many graduate students to our philosophy degree program and made our program competitive and quite well-known, particularly in the field of Chinese philosophy.

• How many, and what type of staff are employed?
As an academic journal, we have now a managing editor Dr. Linyu Gu who has a PhD Degree in Philosophy from our Philosophy Department and who also do editing at the rank of associate editor. She does full time work but is paid only half of time and the rest of time is counted as volunteer work. We have a few copy editors who are paid on odd job basis. There is a home office for the Journal
which is supported by the editor of the Journal. My present office at the Department is small and jammed for any regular function of the Journal.

- What are the basic responsibilities of each position? Which individuals are cross-trained and in what areas?
  To coordinate papers for blind peer reviews, for rejecting bad papers and soliciting revisions and reviews of papers and books and to organize and design for special issues and sometimes to organize panels and international conferences (such as at ISCP and APA) are among responsibilities of the editor, the associate editors and managing editor as well. All are specialized scholars in the field of Chinese Philosophy or comparative philosophy with PhD degrees from accredited well known Universities.

- What technologies are available? Are there technological improvements that could be made to save on labor, or to improve the product/service offered? How does the program get technological support?
  Computers technologies are a minimum. We need better and newer computers which definitely will save on labor and improve the product which is our regular issues published. We get technological support basically from ourselves. But we do use UH web for some emails as internet space is always limited. We explore into other email providers as well. We also need office space for work and for accommodating books and periodicals. My own office is so jammed that I can hardly turn around physically.

- How is the program’s success reviewed? By whom? How often?
  Last year we are reviewed by Hong Kong Baptist University Project on English language journals on Chinese topics in the world. We are ranked the top one in the field of Chinese philosophy but top 4 or 5 in the overall field of Chinese studies. We have over 13 regular citations in humanities and social sciences from over United States and the English speaking world plus Europe. The Wiley Blackwell also conducted their own surveys and we are one of the top 5 among over 100 journals published by the Wiley-Blackwell.

- What data or evidence does the program have that reflects on its performance?
  A sample will be presented for your inspection and judgment if required.

- Do our peers have a similar program? How do they differ?
  Our Department of Philosophy has published the Philosophy East and West which is a comparative Asian philosophy journal but which does not concentrate on Chinese Philosophy. It publishes both Indian and Chinese philosophy papers. We are alone dedicated to Chinese philosophy publication and we have editorially gathered specialists in Chinese philosophy. We have published Five issues annually since 2006, with four regular issues and a supplement. The PEW does not have this feature either.

- What opportunities exist for greater collaboration and team approaches in the delivery of services?
  We do exchange and consult with other journals and try to learn what is better from the other. Maybe we can co-sponsor some research projects in both Chinese and Indian and comparative philosophy.

- Are there efficiencies that could be gained by consolidating with a similar entity? Have such opportunities been explored before? If so, what was the outcome?
  Since we do not depend on financial support from the University and since each of the journals services a special community of experts and scholars. Their independent functionings will bring better good and value to this Department and this University. In this case both solidarity and diversity are the source of strength. But this does not mean that we cannot share secretarial services and I be treated on equitable basis in the teaching of numbers of seminars.

- What strategies could result in better efficiencies in the program?
  More consultation, more mutual support, and more coordination, and more sharing and distribution of resources, facilities and services would result in better efficiencies no doubt.

**Guide for Prioritization (examples)**

**Criteria for New or In Transition**
- The program was established within the past three years and is seen to be needed
- Establishment of the program was based on demonstrated need and it appears to be meeting the need

**Criteria for Growth and Investment in Program**
- Need for the program is increasing due to regulatory issues, growth of unit(s) being supported, or for other articulated reasons.
- The program has received state/regional/national recognition for services.
- The program is an integral part of the university mission.
Criteria for Maintenance of Program at Stable Resource Levels
• Demand for the program has been relatively constant; program able to meet objectives.
• The program is an integral part of the university mission.
• Similar services are otherwise unavailable, or inferior.

Criteria for Reorganization, Restructuring, or Merger
• The program offers services that are not necessary to the university, or that duplicate those of one or more other units.
• Program could be more efficiently delivered in concert with other programs or by reorganizing delivery in new ways.

Criteria for Reduce in Size or Scope
• Program could meet most needs even if reduced in size or scope.
• Program is not fully subscribed.

Criteria for Elimination
• Demand for program is low, or declining at a rapid pace.
• Services are not essential to the central mission of the university.
• Activity or services provided by the unit are inconsistent with the future direction of the University.