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The Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) undergraduate degree program started admitting students in 2004. The CSE program is jointly administered by the Department of Computer Science (CS) in the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, and the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) in the Henry Samueli School of Engineering. The departments agreed that it would be most beneficial for the CSE program to receive accreditation from ABET (formerly the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology) and, to that end, started development of an assessment process. The assessment program is under the direction of CSE Lead Faculty, currently Daniel Hirschberg for CS and Fadi Kurdahi for EECS. It is hoped that the CSE assessment process currently in place will suffice to enable the CSE program to receive initial ABET accreditation. However, we anticipate that the assessment program will require advancement in order to ensure that accreditation will subsequently be renewed and that the quality of the CSE program can continue to be improved.