HLC REAFFIRMATION VISIT

*Let’s Show our Good Work!*

*March 23-24, 2020*

*In preparation for the HLC Visit, reflect on the questions below and think of examples when appropriate. If you do not know answers, this is a great opportunity to talk to colleagues in your department and across campus. We’d love your feedback****! Feel free to send responses to Julie at*** [***jmorriso@wccnet.edu***](mailto:jmorriso@wccnet.edu) *or SC 271. You can also access this form on the college’s* [*HLC webpage*](https://www.wccnet.edu/about/excellence/higher-learning-commission/strategic-planning.php)*.*

Criterion 1 Mission

1. Do I know the college Mission? How does the role I play at WCC support the Mission of the College?
2. What programs/activities on campus address our role in a multicultural society?

Criterion 2 Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct

1. In what ways do you ensure the integrity of your work and the work environment?
2. How does WCC clearly present information regarding its programs, requirements, faculty and staff, costs to students and accreditation relationships?

Criterion 3 Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources and Support

1. How does your position help to improve the quality of education at WCC?
2. How do you assist in creating a supportive educational environment for our students?
3. What co-curricular programs support our mission and contribute to the educational experience of our students?

Criterion 4 Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement

1. How does your role at the institution help students be successful? How does your area use student learning results to make the institution better?
2. How does your role directly affect student persistence, retention, and completion?
3. What ways does the college evaluate the quality of its educational offerings and support services?

Criterion 5 Resources, Planning and Institutional Effectiveness

1. In what ways do you assist your department in being fiscally responsible?
2. How do you support planning and goal setting in your area and/or the college?
3. How do you encourage your area to evaluate and continuously improve operations?

HLC CRITERIA FOR ACCREDITATION

*The Criteria for Accreditation are the standards of quality by which the Commission determines whether an institution merits accreditation or reaffirmation of accreditation. Each Criterion has Core Components:* [*HLC Criteria and Core Components*](https://www.hlcommission.org/Policies/criteria-and-core-components.html)

Criterion 1 Mission

The institution’s mission is clear and articulated publicly; it guides the institution’s operations.

Criterion 2 Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct

The institution acts with integrity; its conduct is ethical and responsible.

Criterion 3 Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources and Support

The institution provides high quality education, wherever and however its offerings are delivered.

Criterion 4 Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement

The institution demonstrates responsibility for the quality of its educational programs, learning environments, and support services, and it evaluates their effectiveness for student learning through processes designed to promote continuous improvement.

Criterion 5 Resources, Planning and Institutional Effectiveness

The institution works systematically to improve its performance.