

West Virginia State University Accreditation

Self-Study Update

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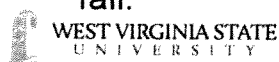
Interim Reaffirmation Activities

- On April 10 - 14, 2014, President Hemphill and the Working Group attended the Annual Higher Learning Commission Conference (HLC), in Chicago, Ill.
- The consultant, Dr. Susan Murphy, reviewed the draft self-study document and presented her findings to the steering committee and subcommittees.
- Dr. Murphy also presented workshops as well as held one-on-one and group (e.g., Deans) meetings on evidence and data collection for self-study.



Interim Reaffirmation Activities

- Also, workshops and sessions were held on assessment associated with various areas of the University with the expected outcome being an institutional assessment plan.
- Subcommittees continued to gather information, data and evidence to complete the 3rd draft of the self-study.
- Identified peer reviewers for the mock visit in the fall.



Mock Visit Peer Reviewers

- **Dr. Susan Darby**
 - Currently, a System Vice President for Accreditation Service National American University (NAU), responsible for programmatic and regional accreditation for system.
 - Participated in and led dozens of HLC Peer Reviews under the HLC.
 - Has presented more than 30 workshops on accreditation for the HLC.
 - A current consultant for the HLC for reaffirmation of colleges and universities.



Mock Visit Peer Reviewers

- **Dr. Michael Westerfield**

- Vice President for the Graduate College and Director of Accreditation Services, William Woods University.
- Participated in and led in dozens of reviews for the HLC, with emphasis on graduate programs.
- Currently, he is a mentor for new Peer Reviewers and new team chairs for the HLC.
- Consultant for HLC for assessment, reaffirmation and orientation of new peer reviewers.



Next Steps

- Edit and format each of the 5 criterion and develop other sections (e.g., preface, introduction, glossary, & Federal Compliance section).
- Upload all 5 criterion from subcommittees in Google Drive.
- Make sure all evidence and supporting documents have been identified in order to link to information in document.
- Combine all components into one contiguous document.



Modes and Mechanisms of Delivery of Accreditation Information to Constituents Groups

- Website
- Email
- Social Media
- Presentations
 - What is Accreditation? Why is it Necessary? What Role Can You Play?
 - Faculty, Staff, Students and Others
 - Informational sessions
- Executive Summary



Timeline

- **June 15, 2014** – Upload all 5 criterion of the self-study ✓
- **June 16-Aug 14** – Complete the self-study report ✓
- **Aug. 15, 2014** – Finalize self-study report ✓
- **Aug. 20, 2014** – Upload self-study and other pertinent documents for access for Mock Peer Reviewers



Timeline

- **Oct. 15-17, 2014** – Mock Team Campus Visit
- **Nov. 10 – Dec. 19, 2014** – Review Mock Review and make revisions and adjustments
- **Dec. 19, 2014 – Jan. 16, 2015** – Finalize report
- **Jan. 17, 2015** – Upload Report



Timeline

April 12 – 15, 2015
*Visit from Higher Learning Commission
Evaluation Team*



Thank You

