West Virginia State University Accreditation

Self-Study Update

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Interim Reaffirmation Activities


- 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.

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**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

Timeline

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