

Accreditation Steering Committee Update

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Accreditation Steering Committee Objectives for 2022-23:

1. Monitor the timeline and process for developing the Institutional Self Evaluation Report (ISER) and ensure that there is broad participation, including collecting and incorporating Collegewide feedback and obtaining endorsements.
2. Finalize the ISER and submit to ACCJC in December 2022.
3. Monitor and support the development of responses to core inquiries during Spring 2023 as needed.
4. Prepare and submit annual and fiscal reports to ACCJC.
5. Monitor the need to respond to requests from ACCJC related to being on enhanced fiscal monitoring.

Note: The Accreditation Steering Committee has drafted new objectives for 2023-24 and will vote on these during the October meeting. This report focuses only on Objective 3 from the list above. All other objectives have been met for 2022-23 (see also [May 4, 2023, PGC Update](#)).

Progress Related to Objective 3 (Monitor Responses to Core Inquiries). During a special July meeting, the Accreditation Steering Committee reviewed and discussed the draft responses to the [core inquiries](#). After further refinements, the Board of Trustees [accepted the responses on August 24, 2023](#). We are currently finalizing these responses for submission to ACCJC.

Invitation to Participate in the Upcoming Site Visit: As noted in prior updates, the following individuals will conduct the focused site visit October 2-4: Dr. Erika Endrijonas, Dr. Mike Munoz, Dr. Norman Lorenz, Dr. Jesse Mills, and Mr. Daniel Troy. Dr. Kevin Bontenbal, our ACCJC staff liaison, will also be present.

During the focused site visit, *we invite and encourage you to attend the following events:*

Open Forum: Tuesday, October 3, 12 pm - 1 pm, MUB 140*

Exit Report: Wednesday, October 4, 11 am to 12 pm, MUB 140

*To ensure participants can express themselves freely, neither members of the governing board nor senior administrators will attend the open forum.

Future Accreditation Steering Committee reports will focus on our 2023-24 objectives.