

Dear PVC Colleagues:

The College has completed the Follow-Up Report required by the Accrediting Commission for Junior and Community Colleges (ACCJC). The report is available for you to review on the College website under the Accreditation tab.

The report addresses two areas identified by the ACCJC in its January 27, 2022 action letter as needing improvement: 1) better assessment processes for academic and learning support programs, particularly at the institutional (or ILO) level; and 2) better efforts in defining and evaluating institution-set standards.

As a result of the work that was accomplished in response to those requirements during the Spring 2022 semester, we believe we have now met the accreditation standards in each of these areas. We will, of course, await findings from the visiting team later this year, and the final decision by the ACCJC in January 2023.

In the report we acknowledge that more needs to be done for further improvement. Here is a summary of work we see as necessary and that needs to be continued with the resumption of classes in August 2022:

- Provide training for learning support department personnel in writing and revising service area outcomes that can better be assessed with institutional learning outcomes in mind.
- Provide training for learning support department personnel in improving metrics and assessment methodologies.
- Ensure ample discussion in program review reports of the relationships between PLOs and ILOs on the one hand, and SAOs and ILOs on the other, with the intention of improving student learning.
- Ensure that institution-set standards data is gathered regularly and distributed college-wide at least annually.
- Set aside at least one All-Staff meeting annually to review and comment on the College's institution-set standards and to provide recommendations for improvement.

Thank you,

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