Higher Learning Commission: Where are we now?

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Presentation to:
UMKC Faculty Senate

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HLC: What’s it all about?

• 10-year accreditation cycle
• Verifying that institutions meet standards established by peers, evaluated by peers
• Promoting institutional self-knowledge and advancement
• Providing assurance to the public about quality
• Building and maintaining confidence in higher education
Criteria

1. Mission
2. Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct
3. Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources & Support
4. Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement
5. Resources, Planning, & Institutional Effectiveness

Federal Compliance

Examples

All instructors are appropriately qualified, including those in dual credit, contractual, and consortial programs (3.C.2)

The institution allocates its resources in alignment with its mission & priorities (5.C.1.)

The institution’s governance & administrative structures promote effective leadership & support collaborative processes that enable the institution to fulfill its mission (5.B.)

The general education program is appropriate to the mission, educational offerings & degree levels of the institution (3.B.1.)
# Key Benchmarks

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<td>August 2017</td>
<td>Initiate process</td>
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<td>Fall 2017 – Spring 2018</td>
<td>Draft assurance argument; identification and collection of evidence</td>
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<td>Summer 2018</td>
<td>Revise assurance argument; categorize and warehouse evidence; editing</td>
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<td>Fall 2018</td>
<td>Desk review by 3rd party</td>
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<td>December 2018</td>
<td>Receive reviewers’ comments</td>
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<td>Spring 2019</td>
<td>Revision of AA, Evidence</td>
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<td>Revised draft due</td>
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# Key Benchmarks - Forthcoming

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<td>May 2</td>
<td>Second town hall</td>
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<td>Summer 2019</td>
<td>One-voice revision</td>
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<td><strong>September 1</strong></td>
<td><strong>Final submission</strong> – Final Draft Posted</td>
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<td>Fall 2019</td>
<td>Student Survey, Campus Forums</td>
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<td><strong>December 2 &amp; 3</strong></td>
<td><strong>Site visit</strong> – Open Forums</td>
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<td>Results</td>
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