## **HLC Committees/Task Force** 2016-2017

**18 November 2016** 

#### **CSC Coordinating Committee for HLC Reaffirmation and Accreditation**

- Purpose: This committee reviews all documents for consistency and accuracy for the HLC Comprehensive Evaluation, Assurance Review, and Evidence file. Second, the committee manages effective and efficient communication and resources among State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA), Assumed Practices, Assurance Argument, and Federal Compliance sub-committees and Quality Initiative Task Team. The third purpose is to identify consultants, writers, and document reviewers as well as determine tasks teams such as logistic and virtual room to assist with the implementation of maintaining HLC accreditation.
- Co-Chairs: VPAA & Director of Institutional Research
- Assistant Chairs: Interim Director of Assessment & CIO
- Members: Deans, Assessment & Accreditation Coordinator, Assurance Argument Lead Writer, Researcher (Assumed Practices+), Head of Technical Service Library (Evidence Files Gate Keeper), VP of Student Services (Co-Chair Federal Compliance Committee)
- Documentation: Meeting minutes

#### Assurance Argument (Criteria for Accreditation) Sub-Committee (for HLC Reaffirmation)

- Purpose: This committee continuously gathers and organizes evidence for the HLC Assurance Argument (Criterion 1-5). Second, the committee identifies key writers and proofreaders.
- Chair: Dean (HLC responsibility)
- Assistant Chair: Assoc. CIO; Secondary Assistant Chair: VPAA
- Members: Deans, Assessment & Accreditation Coordinator, Assurance Argument Lead Writer, Researcher (Assumed Practices+), Interim Director of Assessment
  - o Criterion #1: Chair, Assurance Argument Lead Writer
  - o Criterion #2: Chair, Assurance Argument Lead Writer
  - o Criterion #3: the deans
  - o Criterion #4: Asst. Registrar; 2 deans, Sr. Director of Student Affairs
  - o Criterion #5: Finance, Dean, Sr. Director of Student Affairs
- MAP: 1-6
- Documentation: Submission of final argument

## Federal Compliance Sub-Committee (for HLC reaffirmation)

- Purpose: This committee ensures CSC complies with federal regulations. The federal regulations relate to assignment of credit hours, record of student complaints, transfer policies, student identity, title IV program responsibilities, public information, recruitment materials, student outcome data, standing with state and other accrediting agencies, and public comment of the institution.
- Chair: VP of Student Services

CSC Mission

MAP Priorities, 2014-2018

enrich the quality of life in the region by providing educational opportunities, research, service, and programs that contribute significantly to the vitality and diversity of the region.

Chadron State College (CSC) will CSC is committed to the achievement of tasks/projects that align with the following Master Academic Plan (MAP) Priorities: 1) Continue to implement and improve the Essential Studies Program (ESP). 2) Define, develop, and promote co-curricular experiences that foster undergraduate and graduate student engagement. 3) Create and implement a strategic vision(s) for teaching and learning technologies, teaching and learning center (TLC) and the library learning commons (LLC). 4) Evaluate campus-wide processes for student recruitment, advising and retention; recommend a plan for continuous improvement. 5) Study, create, and implement a strategic vision for the graduate studies program. 6) Evaluate campus-wide processes for faculty and staff recruitment and retention; recommend a plan for continuous improvement.

- Assistant Chair: Director of Institutional Research
- Members:
  - o Assignment of Credits, Program Length, and Tuition:
  - o Student Complaints (Institutional Record of Student Complaints):
  - o Student Outcome Data:
- MAP: 1-6, 2.2.2, 4.1.4, 6
- HLC Criteria for Accreditation (Assurance Argument): 2,3,4,5
- Assumed Practices: A5b, A5c, A7a-b, A8, A10, A12, B1a, B1f, B1g, B2a, C2D1, D2, D5,
- Quality Initiative: communication
- SARA: 1.2, 1.3, 1.5, 2.3, 3.2, 3.3, 3.5, 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, 5.5, 7.9, 7.10, 9.1,
- Federal Compliance: All
- Documentation Process: Submission of final report.
  - o Standing with Specialized Accreditation and other Agencies: Dean of Curriculum and Accreditation, Researcher (Assumed Practices+),
  - o Transfer Policies: Registrar, OA to VPAA, Transfer Agreement Committee
  - Student Identity Verification: CIO, Dean of Essential Studies & Liberal Arts, Assoc.
    CIO
  - o Title IV Program: VP of Student Services, Asst. Director/Student Services Financial Aid
  - o Financial Responsibility (Institutional ratios and audits): Comptroller
  - o Default Rates: VP of Student Services, Asst. Director/Student Services Financial Aid
  - Disclosure Requirements (including Campus Crime, Athletic Participation and Financial Aid, Other Disclosures): Registrar, Director of Institutional Research, Associate VP Human Resources
  - o Student Right To Know: Director of Institutional Research
  - Satisfactory Academic Progress and Attendance Policies: VP of Student Services
  - o Advertising & Recruitment Materials and other Public Information: VP of Enrollment Management, Marketing & Student Services, Director of College Relations
  - Public Notification of Opportunity to Comment: VP of Enrollment Management,
    Marketing & Student Services, Director of College Relations, Director of Admissions
  - o Grievances: VP of Enrollment Management, Marketing & Student Services, Associate VP Human Resources

## **Assumed Practices Sub-Committee (for HLC Reaffirmation)**

- Purpose: This committee ensures CSC meets the set of practices shared by Higher Education institutions. The set of practices encompass ethical and responsible conduct, the quality and support of teaching and learning, faculty roles and qualifications, assessment an improvement of teaching and learning, and institutional planning and effectiveness, and financial
- Chair: Interim Director of Assessment
- Assistant Chairs: Dean, a Dept. Chair
- Members: Faculty Senate designation; Dean; Researcher (Assumed Practices+); VPAA
- MAP: 4.1.4, 4.2, 4.3.1 and 4.3.6
- HLC Criteria for Accreditation (Assurance Argument): 1B, 2B, 3,4,5
- Assumed Practices: all
- Quality Initiative: n/a

- SARA: 1.2-6, 2.1-6, 3.3-5, 4.1 4.3, 4.4-7, 5.1-5, 5.6-7, 4.9, 5.4, 5.6, 5.8, 6.1-4, 6.6, 7.1-9, 7.10, 8.1-2, 9.1, 9.4
- Federal Compliance: 4-7,22, 25-27, 32-35
- Documentation: Submission of Report (evidence meeting Assumed Practices requirements) to HLC Coordinating Committee

# SARA (State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement) Compliance Sub-Committee (for HLC Reaffirmation)

- Purpose: This committee creates and implements a plan to maintain state authorization, keeps abreast of state regulations regarding an institution's out of state activities, develops strategies to communicate information to students, states and the College, and obtains and manages data essential to the achievement of state authorization.
- Chair: Faculty Senate representative designated by Faculty Senate President and VPAA
- Assistant Chairs: Faculty member and Instructional Tech & Design Specialist
- Members: 3 Deans; Interim Director of Assessment; 2 Faculty; LMS Administrator; Assoc. CIO
- MAP: 3, 4, and 6
- HLC Criteria for Accreditation (Assurance Argument): 1D1, 2B, 2E3, 3A1-3, 4C1-3, 5D1-2
- Assumed Practices: A7a-c
- Quality Initiative: n/a
- SARA: all
- Federal Compliance: 4-7, 18, 19, 22, 25-27, 28-35, 39-40,
- Documentation: Updated SARA Report (evidence meeting SARA requirements) submitted to CSC Coordinating Committee

#### CSC Communication & Logistics for HLC Comprehensive 2017 Visit Task Team

Purpose: This task team organizes and coordinates the following for the April 2017 Comprehensive Visit for Reaffirmation of Accreditation: CSC communication about HLC Peer Reviewers April 2017 visit; arrangement of HLC Peer Reviewers needs for the April 2017 visit such as meeting rooms, internet access, hotel accommodations, interview schedule, and communications with HLC Peer Reviewers prior to visit; preparation, implementation, and submission of material to HLC for Third Party Comments and Student Opinion Survey. This task team coordinates with Virtual Resources Room Task Team.

Chair: VPAA

Assistant Chair: Director of College Relations Members: IT Analyst & OA to President

**Documentation: Meeting Minutes** 

#### Virtual Resource Room (for HLC Reaffirmation) Task Team

Purpose: This task team prepares and organizes the electronic Resource Room for the HLC Peer Reviewers, CSC writers of HLC documents (Assurance Argument, Federal Compliance Report, SARA Evidence Document, Assumed Practices Evidence Document, and Quality Initiative Report). The task team coordinates with CSC Logistics task team and CSC Coordinating committee.

Members: VP of Student Services, Dean, Head of Technical Service Library (Evidence Files Gate Keeper), Project Coordinator for Teaching & Learning Technologies Resource Room Point Person for HLC Visiting Team: Head of Technical Service Library (Evidence Files Gate Keeper)

Documentation: Virtual Resource Room and meeting minutes

#### Retention Process and Planning (for HLC Reaffirmation) Task Team

Purpose: Discover and document current processes and projects related to student retention. Develop and implement a written plan that outlines resources, processes, and initiatives that impact student retention. The written plan consists of timeline, evidence documentation, and analysis.

- Chair: VP of Enrollment Management, Marketing & Student Services and Director of Internships & Career Services
- Members: Vp of Student Services, Director of Residence Life, Sr. Director of Student Affairs, Registrar, Director of Institutional Research, , Leah Reed, Director of Transitional Studies, the 3 Deans, Associate Athletic Director, Interim Director of Assessment, Assoc. CIO
- MAP: #4 & 5
- HLC Assurance Argument (Criteria for Accreditation): 4C1-4; 4A6
- Assumed Practices: A6, C7
- Quality Initiative:
- SARA:
- Federal Compliance:
- Documentation: Meeting minutes and Annual Report submitted to Campus-wide Assessment Committee