

University Accreditation Committee – update – March 25, 2016

I have several items to share as the University moves forward on its accreditation agenda.

At the outset, I thank all of you who sent me comments and edits on the draft HLC Assurance Document that I distributed earlier. The document has now been reviewed by both Provost Bronet and President Cramb.

Chelsea Jackson (Marketing & Communications) has also completed initial review/edits on this document.

I am expecting another round of evidence file submissions from Schools/Colleges by May 1, 2016 (most of those are for 2015-2016, but I also expect some documents from earlier years).

Going forward, I have organized a visit by Sunil Ahuja with our committee on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 between 10 am and 11 am at the 17th floor conference room, IIT Tower. This will be a great opportunity for each of you to ask questions regarding our preparations for the HLC Team Visit to campus in September 26-27, 2016. Please mark your calendars for this meeting. I look forward to seeing you there.

HLC has asked us to conduct a Student Opinion Survey on their behalf (they have designed the survey, and they will collect and analyze the data). This survey will be open to all our students during April 11-20, 2016. I expect to work with George Langloi and David Baker on this task.

Finally, during April/May, I also expect to visit with each of the subcommittee chairs to review/discuss any issues that remain regarding evidence files.

Once again, please accept my sincere thanks for your tremendous contributions toward the accreditation effort. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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