

Call to Conversation: SACSCOC Reaffirmation

St. Philip's College
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CLASS OF 2016 REAFFIRMATION

1. Principle of Integrity
2. Compliance Certification
3. Quality Enhancement Plan
4. The Off-Site Review
5. The On-Site Review
6. Review by the Commission's Board of Trustees
7. Announcement

St. Philip's College – Class of 2016, Track A

Timeline For Compliance Audit

Track A Institutions

Planning Activities	Formation and Training of Audit and Leadership teams	Readiness Audit Process	Orientation of Leadership Team in Atlanta	Work on Compliance Certification	Continue to Work on Compliance Certification	Submit Compliance Document	Off-Site Review	QEP and Focused Reports	On-site Review	Response Report	Review by SACSCOC
January or earlier	March	April -December	January	Feb - Dec	Jan - February	March	March- May	Six Weeks before Vist	Sept- Nov	March	June
2013 Three Years Prior to Reaffirmation			2014 Two Years Prior to Reaffirmation		2015 One Year Prior to Reaffirmation				2016 Year of Reaffirmation		

Compliance Certification Document

- Submit in March 2015
- Provides judgment, narrative and evidence of the extent of compliance with Core Requirements, Comprehensive Standards and Federal Requirements
- Certification by chief executive officer and accreditation liaison that the “document is truthful, accurate, and complete.”

Stages, Documents, and Results

1. SPC submits Compliance Certification document
2. Off-site Committee issues “Preliminary Findings”
3. QEP submitted 6 weeks prior to on-site review
4. On-site review
5. SPC Submits Focused Report(s)
6. On-site Committee issues “Report of the Reaffirmation Committee”
7. Commission review
8. SPC submits Response to Report to SACSCOC
9. Commission issues “Action Letter”

Possible Outcomes

- Reaffirmation!
- Response Report, Reaffirmation



- Response Report, Monitoring, Reaffirmation

- Response Report, Monitoring, Warning, Reaffirmation

- Response Report, Monitoring, Warning, Probation, Reaffirmation

- Response Report, Monitoring, Warning, Probation, Loss of Accreditation

NO FINANCIAL AID - NO FEDERAL GRANTS



Track 2010 A (47 Institutions)

Off-site Review (27 standards with >25% noncompliance)

- CS 3.7.1 Faculty Competence—94%
- CS 3.5.4 Terminal Degree of Faculty—80%
- CS 3.3.1 I.E. Any Section—79%

On-site Review (12 standards with >10% recommendations)

- CR 2.12 QEP—64%
- CS 3.7.1 Faculty Competence—47%
- CS 3.3.1 I.E. Any Section—43%

C&R Review (11 standards with >5% monitoring)

- CS 3.3.1 I.E. Any Section—21%
- CS 3.3.1.1 I.E. Educational Programs—17%
- CS 3.10.1 Financial Stability—15%

Common Reasons for Noncompliance

Insufficient evidence

- Doesn't exist
- Doesn't exist yet—recently implemented
- Couldn't find it
- Didn't document it

Poor narrative

- Didn't clearly make the case

Real issues

- Insufficient faculty, no I.E. process, financial instability, issues with faculty qualifications

Current Status - QEP

- April 2013 Input was gathered from across the institution using the QEP Topic Survey.
- May 2013 Student input was gathered through student organizations.
- May 2013 Personal Responsibility - final focus area identified at Good to Great Retreat
- August 2013 Faculty development addressing assessment of “personal responsibility”

* QEP committee will be composed of as many individuals who volunteered as possible

Current Status - Compliance

- April 2013 Cursory audit review by cabinet, “red flag” items identified
 - August 2013 Team leaders attended SACSCOC Summer Institute (Mecca Salahuddin, Karen Sides, Art Hall, George Johnson)
 - Sept. 2013 Compliance Detailed Timeline developed
 - Sept. 2013 Cabinet oversight assignments identified
- *Sub-committees under development

Who Creates the Compliance Document?

Everyone!

Everyone has a role to contribute to and support the process

We ALL own Reaffirmation

We are ALL responsible for the outcome