

Reflecting Today Creating Tomorrow

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Who's Creating Tomorrow?

It started with you....

The President's Advance, held on April 4, 2003, was a pivotal moment in launching the Self-Study 2005. At two all-college gatherings, you provided the Steering Committee with valuable input. Your ideas in identifying strengths, weaknesses, people, processes, and documents have provided a framework for the Subcommittees to begin their work. Thank you! Your reflections *today* are creating our *tomorrow*.



Reflect: *Not even the future is what it used to be.*
--Paul Valéry, 1980

Calendar of Events

HLC Accreditation Team Visit to PVCC
FEB 28 - MAR 2, 2005

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Fall 2003 Self-Study Forums - B208

All employees welcome to any or all sessions!

Friday, OCT 24 1 - 3:30pm
Criterion 2 / Criterion 4

Friday, OCT 31 11am - 1:30pm
Criterion 1 / Criterion 3

Friday, NOV 7 9 - 11:30am
Criterion 5 / Executive Response
(to previous concerns)

Refreshments served. Drawings for prizes.

The Criteria for Accreditation

Criterion 1. Mission and Integrity

The organization operates with integrity to ensure the fulfillment of its mission through structures and processes that involve the board, administration, faculty, staff, and students.

Criterion 2. Preparing for the Future

The organization's allocation of resources and its processes for evaluation and planning demonstrate its capacity to fulfill its mission, improve the quality of its education, and respond to future challenges and opportunities.

Criterion 3. Student Learning and Effective Teaching

The organization provides evidence of student learning and teaching effectiveness that demonstrates it is fulfilling its educational mission.

Criterion 4. Acquisition, Discovery, and Application of Knowledge

The organization promotes a life of learning for its faculty, administration, staff, and students by fostering and supporting inquiry, creativity, practice, and social responsibility in ways consistent with its mission.

Criterion 5. Engagement and Service

As called for by its mission, the organization identifies its constituencies and serves them in ways both value.

Criteria Cross-Cutting Themes

Four themes identified by the Higher Learning Commission that cut across and link all five criteria are:

The future-oriented organization - engages in planning, is driven by the mission, understands social and economic change, focuses on the futures of constituents, and integrates new technology.

The learning-focused organization - assesses student learning, supports learning, supports scholarship, creates the capacity for lifelong learning, and strengthens organizational learning.

The connected organization - serves the common good, serves constituents, creates a culture of service, collaborates, and engages in healthy internal communication.

The distinctive organization - has an unambiguous mission, appreciates diversity, is accountable, is self-reflective, and is committed to improvement.

From the Chair



It may be summer in paradise, but your Self-Study Steering Committee is hard at work ensuring that we have everything in place for the upcoming year of introspection and evaluation. The Self-Study Plan is complete and has been submitted to the Higher Learning Commission. It is available on our redesigned website:

<http://www.pvc.maricopa.edu/~selfstudy>. We have

also created guides for the Criterion Subcommittees. Using your comments from the President's Advance, we have already made significant progress in our collection of *examples of evidence* to address the *Core Components* of the *Criteria for Accreditation*. We have several more events planned throughout the year. We are confident that this Self-Study will provide meaningful information to shape the future of our college!

I wish to express my sincere thanks to those who participated in the President's Advance, those who have agreed to serve on a Criterion Subcommittee, and the countless others who continue to work towards a successful re-accreditation in February 2005. At PVCC, we have a talented, dynamic, visionary group of faculty and staff. Let's put those talents to work to create tomorrow.



-Dr. Rick Vaughn, Chair
Steering Committee

Higher Learning Commission (HLC) 108th Annual Meeting Highlights Chicago - April 13-16, 2003

A team of six from PVCC's Self-Study Steering Committee descended upon the Windy City in April. Rick, Judi, Ken, Marianne, Paul, and Sherry Sherry (sic) hustled among presentations, the self-study resource room, workshops, exhibits, and consultations with HLC Staff to gain an understanding of the new criteria and the self-study process. They also collected electronic and hard-copy materials to serve as self-study report examples.

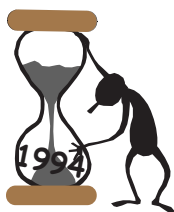
The result? Knowledge is expanded, confidence is up, and energy is high! Let's roll.....



Left to Right: Paul Marsh, Judi Anderson, Rick Vaughn, Sherry Adams, Marianne Roccaforte. Absent from picture, Ken Clarke.

Then and Now Where were you in 1994?

Seeking College and Community trivia for this time period. Please send information to any member of the newsletter team.



Criterion Subcommittees

We encourage faculty and staff to discuss your thoughts and ideas with any of the Subcommittee members. Your input throughout the self-study process is encouraged!

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