

Accreditation Activities Continue at MVSU

Mississippi Valley State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). Reaffirmation of accreditation occurs every 10 years and includes an interim review after 5 years. MVSU's accreditation was last reaffirmed in 2012 and the University successfully completed its interim review in 2018.

MVSU has begun efforts to ensure reaffirmation of accreditation in 2023. The MVSU *SACSCOC Leadership Team and *SACSCOC Compliance Team officially kicked off this process by attending Orientation Sessions at the SACSCOC Annual Meeting in December 2020. In Fall 2021, the SACSCOC Compliance Team continues to monitor institutional compliance and collect necessary evidence while preparing the Compliance Certification Report.

Preparation for our accreditation review will require broad participation by students, faculty, and staff. The University needs your help to demonstrate our commitment to providing quality programs and services.

Here's how you can help:

- Participate in activities designed to support our reaffirmation of accreditation
- Respond to relevant surveys
- Serve diligently on committees
- Submit related reports in a timely manner
- Keep good records
- Commit extra time and effort to providing quality services in your area
- Provide information and assistance as requested

Important Dates to Remember

| Activity/Event | Date |
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| Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Development | Today Forward |
| SACSCOC VP Advisory Visit | February 8-9, 2022 |
| Compliance Certification Report (Self-Study) Due | September 8, 2022 |
| Off-Site Review | November 1-4, 2022 |
| QEP; Focused Report Due | Approx. January 23, 2023 |
| On-Site Review | March 6-9, 2023 |
| Response to On-Site Review | Approx. August 7, 2023 |
| Reaffirmation of Accreditation | December 1-3, 2023 |

You can find more information about SACSCOC and the accreditation process at MVSU on the web at www.mvsu.edu/ir/sacs or you can contact Dr. Sharon Freeman, SACSCOC Accreditation Liaison at sharonf@mvsu.edu.

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