



**Northwest Commission on College and University (NWCCU)**  
**Annual Update for WSQA**  
**Academic Year 2016-2017**  
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| Accreditation recommendations to the College and year of recommendation   | Actions taken by the college to address recommendations  | Improvement results   |
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| <p><i>As a Demonstration Project, no formal summative recommendations were given, but a few items of note were in the findings section.</i></p> <p>Demonstration Project Peer Evaluation (4/2017):</p> <p>(1) Continue work on program review and the use of program student learning outcomes results to guide program improvements.</p> | <p>CBC has begun to take these best practices, as noted in findings, into this school year:</p> <p>(1) Program Review at CBC will include program learning outcomes in the new review cycle (1/2018 to 1/2019). The review process has been modified to provide early metrics for program goal-setting, establish program outcomes and institutional goals, and to facilitate the Guided Pathways framework. Program Review progress will also be added to the Board of Trustee End State Monitoring reports annually.</p> | <p>For 2017-18:</p> <p>As a result of these findings, we have put in place plans to institutionalize program review under an improved model and been explicit about our SLO goals.</p> <p>With faculty committees starting for 2017-18, we imagine the first year of improved/modified program review and SLO assessment will produce a mix of insight and areas on which to build.</p> |

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| <p>(2) Attend to “closing the loop” on assessment. We encourage the College to grow the conversation among faculty.</p> <p>(3) Develop a comprehensive student learning outcomes assessment plan that includes methods and actions corresponding to the timeline created to assess the SLOs through 2022.</p> | <p>(2) While early in the assessment cycle for 2017-18, the Teaching and Learning Committee will be considering alternate venues for faculty involvement and feedback.</p> <p>(3) Our outcomes assessment plan has been augmented to include development of rubrics for Outcome #4 “Apply Information Tools and Resources” in the Winter quarter and a common performance task in the Spring 2018.</p> <p>We will be reviewing Demonstration Project results with the four schools and may find additional areas where we might aspire to improve.</p> |  |
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