



# Meet the Middle States Standards Spring 2024

As you probably know, Kingsborough is currently undergoing its Self-Study as a part of its reaccreditation with the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), a.k.a. Middle States. The Self-Study involves evaluating the College and how it meets (or does meet) the requirements laid out in each of the seven [Standards for Accreditation](#).

Last Fall the Standards introduced themselves to you by explaining the purpose of their Standard and what kinds of questions they were going to answer over the course of the year. Now, we're checking in with the Standards again to see how things are going and what they have learned so far. This week we are hearing from:



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## What is one thing you learned about the College (or CUNY) while working on your chapter that you found particularly interesting?

Throughout our process, we have learned that the work on the Self-Study can lead to meaningful change. For example, the 2005-2006 Self-Study recommended the creation of a Strategic Planning Committee whose responsibility included reviewing and renewing the college's mission and goals every 5 years. As a result of the continuous reexamination of the mission statement, we now have one that is more reflective of our college community today. Our students are no longer defined as "traditional community college students", as continuously referenced in the 2016 Self-Study. Kingsborough's current mission statement now recognizes that we have a diverse community and that requires "high quality, affordable, innovative, student-centered programs of study that prepare graduates for transfer and the workforce. **The college strives for equity and seeks to provide each student with the appropriate resources and supports to foster success.**"

Want to learn more about Standard I? Visit the [KCC Middle States website](#) and check out the attached pdf for more information.

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