



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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With regard to your Standard, how do you think the college has changed since our last self-study?

Since the last Self Study, KCC's assessment process has matured, organized, expanded, and improved to ensure that student learning is taking place. It occurs at every level and is formalized. Some improvements that have taken place include:

- The creation of a new Director of Assessment position in 2021
- Starting in 2020, the creation of assessment committees for Department assessment, Gen Ed assessment, and Civic Engagement assessment, which meet multiple times a semester and are manned by faculty who are compensated (one credit of release time), and answer to the Provost and Dean of Institutional Research.
- The formalization and consistency of assessment reporting process across departments and units.
- Additional support from the [CUNY Assessment Council](#), whose goal is "fostering a culture of assessment and evidence-based decision making within CUNY and among its constituent colleges by identifying, developing and communicating best practices in assessment ", including the creation of [Assessment 101](#).
- Increasing transparency and timeliness of data and assessment sharing through various multiple forums and presentations to keep the community abreast of developments. (E.g., The Data Party, Assessment Week events, and Virtual Forums starting in Spring 2021 and taking place consistently since then; the QUEST Newsletter sharing highlights with the College on a periodic basis)

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