KCC Middle States Self-Study Standard 1- Mission & Goals



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An institution's mission defines its purpose to the students it serves, and what it intends to accomplish. An institution's goals are linked to its mission and specify how the institution fulfills its mission.

Criteria

An accredited institution possesses and demonstrates the following:

- 1. Clearly defined mission and goals that:
 - a. are developed through collaborative participation by all who are responsible for institutional development and improvement;
 - b. address external as well as internal contexts and constituencies;
 - c. are approved and supported by the governing body;
 - d. guide faculty, administration, staff, and governing structures in making decisions related to planning, resource allocation, program and curricular development, and the definition of institutional and educational outcomes;
 - e. include support of scholarly inquiry and creative activity,
 - f. are publicized and widely known by the institution's internal stakeholders;
 - g. are periodically evaluated;
- 2. Goals should be realistic, appropriate to higher education, and consistent with the mission;
 - a. focus on student learning and outcomes, on institutional improvement, are supported by administrative, educational, and student support programs and services; and are consistent with institutional mission
- 3. To ensure consistency, periodic assessment of mission and goals should be performed.

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Standard 1: Mission & Goals

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Guiding Questions

Development

- How were they developed originally
- Utilize KCC's previous Lines of Inquiry

Summary of the questions

- Where are they published?
- Are they aligned with the Strategic Plan and Institutional Priorities?
- How frequently are they assessed and updated?
- How are the mission and goals used to inform decision-making, campus planning, resource allocation and institutional improvement?

Plan to address the questions

- CUNY PMP: KCC Reports
- CUNY Manual of General Policy
- Guidelines for specialized accreditation
- KCC Consumer Information