

HLC Update
Academic Senate
Tuesday, October 6, 2009

The HLC On-Site Visitation Team will be here on April 18 – 20, 2011.

- Each of the five Criterion Committees (and their subcommittees) has finished their draft reports. Thank you to all who contributed to the **initial phase of research and writing**.
- **Sandy Balkema met with the Co-Chairs of each Criterion Committee in September** to discuss the status of their drafts, identify known “gaps,” and define plans for completing unfinished sections. Once Sandy has finished the first rough edit, she will meet with the co-chairs and committees to refine the Self-Study draft.
- The complete draft of the Self-Study report will be **ready for review early next year**. At that point, the Steering Committee will schedule several review sessions to get input from the campus community.
- The Criterion Committees may need your help – to **find evidence** to support what we say in the Self-Study Report. We want to link to reports, studies, documents, etc.
- Please share with your colleagues that we are **well under way**. The Self-Study Report is under construction and we will **definitely need everyone’s input** when it is ready to review.
- We can request that the HLC Visitation Team include people with certain backgrounds. For example, we can request that the team include someone from a school with a similar mission, or a similar size, or who is familiar with art schools, etc. **What would you suggest?**
- We are developing a **communication plan**, which will be ready soon for your review.
- Do you have any **concerns or suggestions** so we can continue to improve the process? (We’re *already* thinking about next time.)