Day 1: Did you know that at least 100 individuals across the University have contributed to the preparation of the Assurance Argument, Federal Compliance Report, Multi-campus Report, and site visit?

As we prepare to welcome the review team representing the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the Steering Committee extends a thank you to the campus community for all of your contributions to the myriad processes, documents, and information as part of this comprehensive evaluation.

Once the 1 ½ day site visit concludes next week, the peer reviewers will compile a draft evaluation report. The peer review report, which includes the team’s recommendation on each of the criteria and components, is submitted to HLC following a check for factual accuracy by CMU. Institutions are offered an opportunity to respond after each evaluation and at each stage of the decision-making process. Each subsequent decision-making body considers the institutional response as part of the full record of the case, along with the recommendation of the peer review team.

The Institutional Actions Council (IAC) is composed of approximately 90 members representing HLC member institutions and the public who serve four-year terms. The IAC’s action is final unless HLC policy requires the Board to take final action. Approximately two weeks after a final action by the IAC or Board of Trustees, an Action Letter is sent to the institution. The Action Letter relays the final action to the institution.

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