



HLC: 4 Days and Counting...Did You Know?
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Did you know that on next Monday and Tuesday (November 18 and 19), an Evaluation Team of five reviewers, representing the Higher Learning Commission, will visit with representatives of CMU's faculty, students, staff, administration, alumni, and community advisory members?

The Higher Learning Commission's representatives are peer reviewers from institutions across the region who will be visiting CMU next week. They are:

- Dr. Timothy Schibik, Team Chair, is Professor of Economics and Assistant Dean of the College of Business at the University of Southern Indiana. He earned a Ph.D. in Economics from West Virginia University following completion of a B.A. and M.A., in Economics from Youngstown State University.
- Dr. Donna Brown is Associate Vice President for Diversity, Inclusion, and Affirmative Action at Minnesota State University, Moorhead. Following completion of an A.A. in Business from Sitting Bull College, she earned a B.S. in Education., M.A. in Counseling, and Ed.D. in Educational Leadership, all from the University of North Dakota.
- Dr. Blair Lord is Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Illinois University. His B.A. and Ph.D. are in Economics from the University of California at Davis, and he completed a post-doctorate in Insurance at the University of Pennsylvania.
- Ms. Michele Reid is Dean of Libraries at North Dakota State University. She has completed two Master of Arts degrees, one in Library Studies at the University of South Florida, and a second in Medieval History from Rutgers University. Her dual-major B.A. was earned at the University of Central Florida in History and Spanish.
- Dr. Rebecca Timmons is Director of Assessment and Accountability at the University of Arkansas, Fort Smith. She earned an Ed.D. in Vocational Education from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville after completing a B.A. and M.Ed. in Business Education at Texas Tech University.

The team will evaluate the University to determine the extent to which CMU fulfills the *Criteria for Accreditation* and visit with campus individuals and groups with whom they have asked to meet. The team also will provide consultation relative to the on-going improvement of the institution and recommend the affiliation status that Colorado Mesa University should have with the Higher Learning Commission.

Please welcome these guests to CMU and participate in relevant sessions to discuss the University and its self-study.