AP 3200  ACCREDITATION

References:
ACCJC Accreditation Eligibility Requirement 21 and ACCJC Accreditation Standards
I.C.12 and 13
Title 5 Section 51016

In accordance with the standards of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, the colleges shall conduct a comprehensive self-evaluation (study) every six years and host a visit by an accreditation team. Mandatory midterm reports are prepared and submitted to the Accrediting Commission in the third year of each six-year cycle.

Accreditation is an institutional responsibility and requires the full engagement of all constituencies. Active participation of faculty, classified staff, administrators, and students is necessary in the cyclical self-evaluation process to ensure a comprehensive and inclusive assessment process.

The process for producing the written document that is the comprehensive Self Evaluation of Educational Quality and Institutional Effectiveness Report must include:

- Accreditation Liaison Officer, appointed by the President;
- Active, campus-wide involvement of administrators, faculty, classified staff, and students;
- Participation by District representatives, especially through the District Joint Accreditation Steering Committee; and
- A college Steering Committee.

When the Self Evaluation is completed, it must be reviewed by the Board of Trustees prior to submission to the Accrediting Commission (which must be completed a minimum of 45 days prior to the team visit).