

Higher Learning Commission
North Central Association
Executive Summary of the Final Report
Metropolitan Community College
5/6/2013

1 – Mission

The institution's mission is clear and articulated publicly; it guides the institution's operations

Rating

Met

After careful review of the College's mission statement, course documents, and printed college marketing material the team found that MCC mission statement is clearly articulated. The site visit team did note and discuss with administration that the mission statement is clear and articulate, but consideration should be given to shortening the actual statement. A wide range of public materials were reviewed and the mission statement was found to be included and articulated to the college community, prospective students, and the public.

2 – Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct

Rating

Met

It is apparent that the College operates with integrity in all aspects of its operations. It was noted that the College's strategic planning/budgeting process is an extremely collaborative process that allows for faculty/staff input at all levels. The process is structured so that strategic and financial aspects are reviewed frequently and updated on a regular basis. The College should be commended for its planning process.

3 – Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources, and Support

Rating

Met

After careful and thoughtful review of the College's teaching and learning process, the College was found to be in compliance. It is clear that the College provides faculty/staff resources and support for the teaching and learning process. It should be noted that the collaborative nature and the culture of the institution provide quality learning opportunities for its students.

4 – Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement

Rating

Met

MCC has a systematic approach for review of program offerings. Programs are reviewed on a biennial basis, providing quality and financial information to the administration and Board of Governors. The College demonstrates commitment to quality through an ongoing assessment process. In addition, the College has an identified approach to student retention, but careful review of that process should be completed and formalized.

5 – Resources, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness

Rating

Met

The College should be commended for its systematic approach to institutional planning and resource utilization. The College is continually reviewing and updating its strategic planning and budget review to ensure that resources provide quality teaching and learning experiences for its students.

Summary of Commission Review

Year of Last Comprehensive Evaluation: 2002-2003

Year for Next Comprehensive Evaluation: 2012 – 2013

Team Recommendation: 2022 - 2023