



**Northwest Commission on College and University (NWCCU)**  
**Annual Update for WSQA**  
**Academic Year 2010-2011**

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Accreditation recommendations to the College and year of recommendation	Actions taken by the college to address recommendations	Improvement results
<p><b>NWCCU 2010 FOCUSED VISIT</b></p> <p>The NWCCU conducted a focused visit on April 24, 2010 to evaluate compliance with three recommendations resulting from our 2008 Five-Year Interim Visit. The focused visit found that all recommendations were implemented and no recommendations remain.</p>	<p>While no recommendations remained unmet following the 2010 visit, SCC continues to focus on ensuring compliance with the 2008 recommendations as summarized below.</p>	<p>SCC received two commendations from our 2010 focused visit:</p> <p><b>Commendation 1.</b> The College is commended for the streamlined and effective model of shared governance which includes the College Alliance. This group has been instrumental in disseminating and implementing the strategic plan which drives resource allocation and decision making.</p> <p><b>Commendation 2.</b> The College is commended for its commitment to helping all students achieve their educational goals, especially when college resources are stretched thin.</p>

<p><b>NWCCU 2008 FIVE-YEAR INTERIM EVALUATION</b></p> <p><b>Recommendation 1:</b> Through a participative process involving all constituencies that the college and district implement and disseminate their coordinated strategic planning process.</p> <p><b>Recommendation 2:</b> Clearly define part-time faculty evaluation by the use of multiple indices . Though progress has been made, there is an uneven practice across the campus.</p> <p><b>Recommendation 3.</b> Policy A-6 agreement/contractual relationship with extended learning (IEL) constitutes a substantive change.</p>	<p><b>Recommendation 1:</b> All units within the college continued to implement, monitor, and report on their participation in the strategic plan. The current plan (2008-2011) will remain in effect for an additional year, while the district and the college transition to a Strategic Planning Online process.</p> <p>All units within the Community Colleges of Spokane participated in an updated environmental scan as we prepare for development of the next strategic plan.</p> <p>The College Alliance continued its activities in 2010-11 providing recommendations to SCC administration on significant issues including the budgeting process.</p> <p><b>Recommendation 2.</b> While the 2010 focused visit found this recommendation to be met, there was a suggestion that SCC include adjunct faculty self-evaluation and reflection, together with consideration of any assistance the college could provide to adjunct faculty.</p> <p>SCC further developed its adjunct evaluation guidelines and processes to include these additional steps. A self-evaluation check list was developed as a tool for adjunct faculty self-evaluation and reflection.</p> <p><b>Recommendation 3.</b> An updates Service Agreement between the Institute for Extended Learning and Spokane Community College (A-6 Agreement) was approved by the NWCCU in</p>	<p><b>Recommendation 1.</b> Strategic planning continues to be more inclusive and relevant. As we prepare the next plan in an online, interactive format, additional useful data will be available for analysis, decision making and policy formation.</p> <p><b>Recommendation 2.</b> Including these additional steps in our adjunct evaluation guidelines provides for a richer and more meaningful process with the likelihood that our students will receive a higher quality of instruction.</p> <p>The process also invites adjunct faculty to become more actively involved in their own development as an educator.</p> <p><b>Recommendation 3.</b> SCC and the IEL now have a clearly articulated agreement outlining the responsibilities of each institution when SCC classes are taught by the IEL.</p>
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