

AQIP ACTIVITY THROUGH 2012-2013

Now that our 2009 Systems Portfolio is submitted, here is a look at the remainder of our 7-year cycle for accreditation within AQIP. There are some smaller stages and processes not represented here; these are the major cycles and deadlines between now and when we are up for reaffirmation of accreditation in 2012-2013. During this time, MCC should retire and replace several AQIP Action Projects, receive its Systems Appraisal Feedback Report, attend a second Strategy Forum, and receive a Quality Checkup Visit.

Our most pressing AQIP process is preparation for the May 2010 Strategy Forum. This event will take place in Lisle, IL and includes the President, Executive Cabinet, a Board Member, and several employees from across MCC. EC will need to make decisions soon about who is to attend the Strategy Forum, and a limited amount of pre-work and on-campus meeting time is required to prepare for it. At the 2010 Strategy Forum, we will be on a track with other returning institutions. Part of our activities will involve the Systems Appraisal Feedback Report we receive in October 2009.

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TIMEFRAME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
August 2009	3rd Annual Update (Action Projects)	MCC will upload Annual Updates on all three current Action Projects; we are required to report on the original three for this cycle. Between August 2009 and April of 2010 we will officially retire Professional Development and Experiential Education. If Degree Audit is not completed by April of 2010, we will be required to report on it in the next cycle.
October 2009	Systems Appraisal Feedback Report	MCC will receive a feedback report based on the 2009 Systems Portfolio submitted in June 2009. The 35-40 page feedback report is written by a Team and will also be accompanied by a 2-3 page executive summary.
May 2010	Strategy Forum	As we did in 2006, a larger group from MCC will attend a Strategy Forum event in Lisle, IL. In 2006, we were part of the Strategy for Action track--the Strategy Forum for new AQIP institutions. In 2010, we will be part of the Creating the Climate for Continuous Learning track--the track that makes use of feedback from the Systems Portfolio. As with the 2006 Strategy Forum, there is pre-work that must be completed and the group needs to meet ahead of time.
August 2010	4th Annual Update (Action Projects)	Update on MCC's 3 current Action Projects (will be 2-3 new projects)
August 2011	5th Annual Update (Action Projects)	Update on MCC's 3 current Action Projects.
Fall 2011	Quality Checkup Visit	A small team of 2 or more evaluators will come to MCC and spend 2 or more days on campus; this is not as intensive as the 10-year accreditation visit; the size of the team, length of the visit, and exact dates are set on an individual basis. Visits for the current cycle of institutions range from September through November.
August 2012	6th Annual Update (Action Projects)	Update on MCC's 3 current Action Projects.
2012-2013	Reaffirmation of Accreditation	A formal process where all of our activities over the past 7 years are reviewed by a panel; the panel affirms that MCC meets the 5 HLC accreditation criteria and recommends whether or not we should continue as an AQIP institution.