



February 27, 2023

Birgitte Ryslinge
President
Oregon Coast Community College
400 SE College Way
Newport, OR 97366

Dear President Ryslinge:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on January 25-27, 2023, concerning the Fall 2022 Mid-Cycle Review of Oregon Coast Community College.

Accreditation

Accept the Report

Status of Previous Recommendations Addressed in this Evaluation

- Recommendation 1: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Continued as Needs Improvement
- Recommendation 2: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Continued as Needs Improvement
- Recommendation 3: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Continued as Needs Improvement
- Recommendation 4: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Continued as Needs Improvement

Recommendations Substantially in Compliance but in Need of Improvement

The Commission recommends that Oregon Coast Community College:

- Recommendation 1: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Fully implement the system of evaluation of its programs and services to evaluate achievement of clearly identified program goals or intended outcomes and use the results of its assessments of services for improvement by planning, decision-making and allocation of resources and capacity. (2020 Standard(s) 1.B.1;1.B.3)
- Recommendation 2: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Refine and fully implement the system for assessing student learning outcomes for courses, programs, and degrees, utilizing the results to inform academic learning, support planning, and practices leading to the enhancement of student learning achievement. (2020 Standard(s) 1.C.5;1.C.7)
- Recommendation 3: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Develop a purposeful, systematic, integrated, and comprehensive plan articulating priorities and guiding decisions on resource allocation and application of institutional capacity. (2020 Standard(s) 1.B.3)
- Recommendation 4: Fall 2019 Initial Accreditation - Assess the performance evaluation process, implementation, and feedback mechanisms, professional growth and development, and support resources for employees necessary for improvement of its operational functions. (2020 Standard(s) 2.F.2;2.F.4)

Future Evaluations

- Year 6 - Standard 2 - Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review Fall 2025
- Year 7 - Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness Fall 2026

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NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact your staff liaison, Dr. Gita Bangera, at gbangera@nwccu.org.

Sincerely,



Sonny Ramaswamy
President

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