Accreditation Preparedness

Heads up! It is accreditation time again. Yes, the ACCJCC reps will be here October, 9th-12th. In order to represent your department as well as possible, you should have a plan for finishing your SLO and PLO work before the ACCJCC reps strike in October.

Departments and Divisions on campus can make the ACCJCC visit less stressful by using the summer to be prepared and complete maintenance where needed on their SLO/PLO assessments.

While you and your department members may not be together over the summer, rest assured that does not mean that you have to plunge in to despair or enter the Fall quarter in a state of panic. Instead, follow these easy steps to prepare for a successful Accreditation review of your Department SLO & PLO statements.

- 1. Check your SLO & PLO work on Tracdat to see what has been done.
- 2. Get a refresher on TracDat by meeting with an SLO core Team member or attending an SLO retreat with your department/division.
- 3. Check with your Department chair to see if a method has been selected for each Course SLO statement. If not, offer to help.
- 4. If you are a chair, assign SLOs to faculty who taught the classes in 2016-17 or will teach the class in 2017-2018, using the assignments feature on Tracdat.
- 5. If you are a faculty member, check with your chair or department SLO team to see if you have been assigned an SLO.
- 6. Complete SLOs assessments for 75% or more of the SLOs & PLOs in the department by the start of Fall Quarter 2017.
- 7. Schedule assessments for remaining SLOs & PLOs in 2017-2018

If you follow these simple steps, our College will be sitting pretty when the accreditation visit comes rather than seeking shelter.