Accreditation Committee Endorses Data-Driven Approach to Goal Setting

At a recent Accreditation Committee meeting, Dr. Vinnie Wu presented strategies for setting floor and stretch goals for accreditation, emphasizing alignment with state, regional, or district targets and the use of historical data. The approach varies by metric—for instance, awards of degrees and certificates should align with statewide goals like Vision 2030, while metrics such as licensure exam pass rates may be better informed by regional college data. The committee supported the proposed strategies and agreed they offer a flexible, data-informed approach to goal setting. Members recommended presenting this information to the College Council and Academic Senate for further discussion and endorsement.

SBVC Sets Clear Path with Accreditation Timeline

The Accreditation Committee has released a timeline highlighting general milestones in preparation for the college's upcoming accreditation site visit. This timeline was presented to and supported by College Council on April 9, 2025, and received support from the Academic Senate during its April 30, 2025 meeting. This serves as part of the college's ongoing efforts to achieve reaffirmation of accreditation by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), the timeline outlines several major phases: evidence collection and analysis, completion of a draft Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER), and a final review and approval process.

A more detailed version will be shared with the campus community in the Fall 2025 semester that will emphasize collaboration across departments sand committees, with regular updates and opportunities for campus-wide feedback.

**SBVC: Timeline
(Fall 2024 to Spring 2026)**

Spring 2025
- Agree on Timeline
- Agree on Process for Writing the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER)

Fall 2025
- Complete drafts for Standard I, II, III, and IV.

Spring 2026
- Review ISER Draft with all constituencies and incorporate feedback

Fall 2026
- August: First Read
- September: Second Read