



**ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES**  
*Western Association of Schools and Colleges*

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**DATE:** February 5, 2016

**MEMO TO:** Chief Executive Officers, Accreditation Liaison Officers

**FROM:** Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D. *Barbara A Beno*

**SUBJECT:** Report on January 2016 Commission Meeting

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, met on January 6-8, 2016 at the Sheraton Grand Hotel, Sacramento, California. Actions were taken on 39 institutions, including external evaluations, midterm reports, follow-up reports and an eligibility application.

The list of institutional actions is appended to this memorandum.



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**TO: Chancellors, Presidents, and Accreditation Liaison Officers**

**FROM: Barbara Beno, President and Steven Kinsella, Chair**

**RE: The Commission Actions of January 2016 under the Policy on Commission Actions on Institutions**

Attached you will find the list of Commission Actions on Institutions taken at the January 2016 Commission meeting. These actions were taken under the 2015 version of the ACCJC's *Policy on Commission Actions on Institutions*. The policy, which was discussed at the ACCJC Symposium in April 2015, includes language that standardizes the meaning of Warning, Probation and Show Cause with the language used by other regional accrediting Commissions.

The policy also includes a new option, Reaffirm Accreditation and Require a Follow Up Report, which reaffirms accreditation for a term of one year or eighteen months. This action is used when a college substantially meets Standards but has some deficiencies that the Commission believes it can address within the period granted. This option gives the Commission more discretion to provide notice to an institution of a small number of deficiencies. This policy language was adopted in response from the field to "reset the scale" for Commission actions. The Commission will be watching carefully to see how well it works at helping institutions have adequate time to respond to team findings of non-compliance, while still preserving quality assurance to the public.

The Commission welcomes your reactions to this policy implementation.

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## **COMMISSION ACTIONS ON INSTITUTIONS**

At its **January 6-8, 2016 meeting**, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, took the following institutional actions on the accredited status of institutions:

### **REAFFIRMED ACCREDITATION FOR 18 MONTHS ON THE BASIS OF A COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION**

- American River College
- Folsom Lake College
- Chabot College
- Citrus College
- Santa Barbara City College
- Cosumnes River
- Sacramento City College
- Las Positas College
- Napa Valley College
- Taft College

### **ISSUED WARNING ON THE BASIS OF A COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION**

- Southwestern College

### **REMOVED FROM WARNING ON THE BASIS OF A FOLLOW-UP REPORT WITH VISIT**

- The Salvation Army College for Officer Training at Crestmont

### **REMOVED SHOW CAUSE AND ISSUED WARNING ON THE BASIS OF A SHOW CAUSE REPORT WITH VISIT**

- American Samoa Community College

### **ELIGIBILITY DENIED**

- California Preparatory College

**THE COMMISSION REVIEWED THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS AND  
CONTINUED THEIR ACCREDITED STATUS:**

**MIDTERM REPORT**

- Bakersfield College
- Porterville College
- Hawai'i Community College
- Kapi'olani Community College
- Leeward Community College
- Woodland Community College
- Cerro Coso Community College
- College of the Sequoias
- Honolulu Community College
- Kauai Community College
- Windward Community College
- Yuba College

**FOLLOW-UP REPORT**

- Antelope Valley College
- Foothill College
- Windward Community College
- De Anza College
- Santa Ana College

**FOLLOW-UP REPORT WITH VISIT**

- Contra Costa College
- Los Medanos College
- Moreno Valley College
- Riverside City College
- Diablo Valley College
- El Camino College
- Norco College
- Rio Hondo College