FACULTY CONFERENCE AGENDA 2-25-22

I.	Call the meeting to order Approval of the Minutes for the 11-19-2021 Faculty Conference Meeting	
II.	Report from the FC Chair	**Jennifer Jordan**
III.	Report from the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs and Division of Finance and Business Affairs	**Adrienne McCormick**
IV.	Report from Academic Council	**Alice McLaine**
V.	Report from Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness and SACSCOC Liaison	**Noreen Gaubatz Meg Webber**
VI.	Report From Registrars office	**Gina Jones**
VII.	Unfinished Business	
VIII.	New Business	**Kevin Sheppard Jared Androzzi**
IX.	Announcements	
X.	Adjournment	

Report from the FC Chair

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE WINTHROP UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- **Dr. Edward Serna was named our 12th President**

Report From Provost Adrienne McCormick & Justin Oates with the Division of Finance and Business Affairs

Report from Academic Council

Academic Council

- Reminder that the General Education Committee will be accepting new courses for inclusion in General Education until March 1, 2022

- Applications should go directly to Dr. Wendy Sellers so that she can facilitate the use of a new form.

Academic Council

From Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum:
Motion to approve a new concentration
        Bachelor of Arts in Music, Commercial Music

Vote on this curriculum item

Academic Council

From the General Education Curriculum Committee:

Motion to edit selected SLOs for general education courses to facilitate assessment of those SLOs.

The edits utilized verbs that allowed the SLO to be assessable.

Report from Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness and SACSCOC Liaison

Noreen Gaubatz
Meg Webber

SACSCOC On-Site Visit March 22-24, 2022

Let's get ready!

SACSCOC

- Institutional accrediting body (Southern Association of College and Schools Commission on Colleges)

- Accredits over **800 colleges and universities** (technical colleges/community colleges through Research 1 universities)

- Accredits **11 states** within the southeast region

- Link between the Department of Education (federal government) and institutions of higher education -> accreditation allows an institution access to **federal money**, which is awarded to students as financial aid

Categories of Standards (73 in total)

1. Principle of Integrity
2. Mission
3. Basic Eligibility Standards
4. Governing Board
5. Administration/Organization
6. Faculty
7. Institutional Planning and Effectiveness
8. Student Achievement
9. Educational Programs, Structure, and Content
10. Educational Policies, Procedures, and Practices
11. Library and Learning/ Information Resources
12. Academic and Student Support Services
13. Financial/Physical Resources
14. Transparency and Institutional Representation

Winthrop Submissions

Collectively, submitted 670 pages of narrative and over 2,500 documents. Committee knows quite a bit about Winthrop University.

- ## Compliance Certification Report
  - Submitted September 2021
  - Reviewed by SACSCOC Off-Site Committee for compliance with 73 standards
- ## Focused Report and QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan)
  - Submitted January 2022
  - Response to the Off-Site Committee concerns
  - First submission of QEP
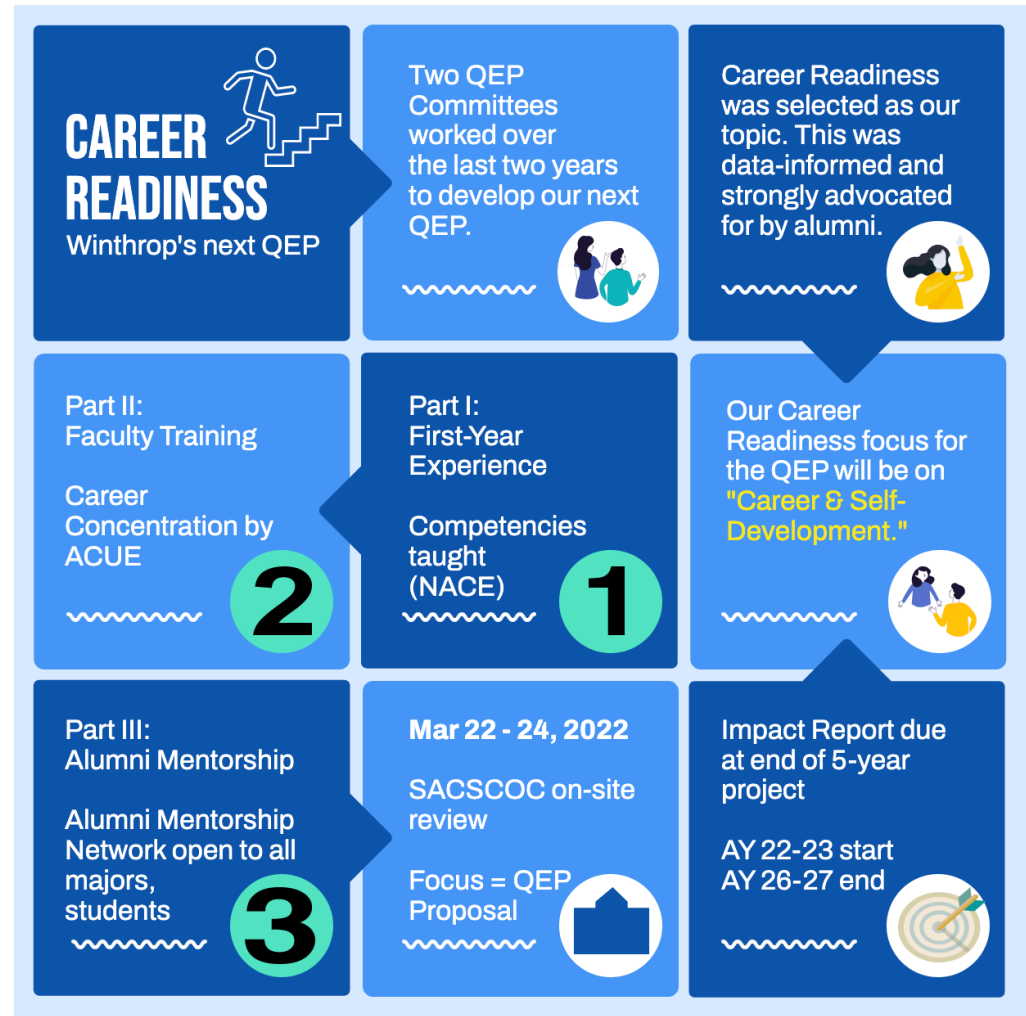
Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)

A QEP is a five-year project to *enhance* an aspect of student learning and/or student success. SACSCOC requires a QEP proposal as part of the decennial. Winthrop's first QEP focused on global learning; this one will focus on career readiness.

- **Topic Selected, Developed, and Proposal Submitted**
  - QEP Topic Selection Committee (surveys, document reviews)
  - QEP Topic Development Committee (research, best practices)
- **Now/Next (in addition to the on-site visit by SACSCOC):**
  - QEP, named "Flight Ready," Implementation Team now meeting, piloting components
  - UCM partnering to promote (logomark, promotions campaign)
  - Website to be established (full proposal will be available)
  - QEP Director to be recruited (half-time position)
  - Full launch of "Flight Ready" begins August 2022 (Year One)

Flight Ready

Enhancing career readiness through

1. the first-year experience,

2. faculty training,

3. & alumni mentorship

CAREER READINESS
Winthrop's next QEP

Two QEP Committees worked over the last two years to develop our next QEP.

Career Readiness was selected as our topic. This was data-informed and strongly advocated for by alumni.

Part II:
Faculty Training

Career Concentration by ACUE

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Part I:
First-Year Experience

Competencies taught (NACE)

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Our Career Readiness focus for the QEP will be on "Career & Self-Development."

Part III:
Alumni Mentorship

Alumni Mentorship Network open to all majors, students

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Mar 22 - 24, 2022

SACSCOC on-site review

Focus = QEP Proposal

Impact Report due at end of 5-year project

AY 22-23 start
AY 26-27 end

On-Site Committee Visit

- **March 22 – March 24**

  - Please, mark your calendars.

- **Committee Composition**

  - Nine Committee Members – peer reviewers

  - One Observer

  - One SACSCOC Staff Member

On-Site Committee Itinerary

- **Day 1** (March 22 – Tuesday)

    - Compliance with standards

    - QEP presentation

- **Day 2** (March 23 – Wednesday)

    - QEP compliance

- **Day 3** (March 24 – Thursday)

    - Exit Conference

General Suggestions

- When engaging with the Committee members, remain professional. Respect the Committee's job.

- Admit if you do not know an answer – refer them to someone else who would know the answer.

- Be flexible with your schedule and available for a meeting or to submit more documents, if requested.

- SHOW YOUR WINTHROP PRIDE!

It takes all of us…

…to pull off a successful SACSCOC Decennial Reaffirmation. **Many thanks** to all faculty and staff who have contributed to the effort in writing narratives, collecting documents, serving on committees, sharing ideas, and contributing your time.

Our most sincere thanks to each and every one of you!

Noreen and Meg

Report from the Registrar-Gina Jones

Commencement Walkers
DegreeWorks
S/U form in Wingspan

New Business

- Title IX Coordinator/ADA Compliance Officer-
  Kevin Sheppard

- Floyd College Readiness Program-
  Jared Androzzi

Announcements

Undergraduate research:

- **SOURCE is Friday, April 15ᵗʰ** this year. It is a hybrid event with in-person options for all presentation types and a virtual option for oral presentations.

- The abstract submission deadline is extended! Please make sure all students abstracts are **March 14ᵗʰ**. You can find the submission link on the undergraduate research website.

- We are piloting an undergraduate research journal: **Proceedings of SOURCE**. If you have an outstanding research student that will complete a research project, please be on the lookout for more information about this opportunity.

- Volunteers needed for SOURCE - please keep an eye out for these announcements in the Daily Digest (and your inbox if we get desperate!).

Adjournment

Thinking about the amount of work you have to complete within the next few weeks like

Why did I become a professor????