Special Topics for DoD and Federal Institutions
‘Community of Practice’

Virtual Fall COP
November 15 – 18, 2021

Agenda

• 2022 COE Meeting Schedules
• Review Revisions to
  • COE Policies and Rules
  • Revisions to Handbooks
  • Federal Standards/Criteria Discuss Concerns
• Discuss and Practice with COE Discourse
• Open Discussion on Federal Concerns
  • Best Practices & Lessons Learned
COE 2022 Meeting Schedule

• COE Candidate Academy
  • Winter – February 8-9 /or/ February 15-16
  • Summer – June 15th-16th
  • Fall - October 5-6 /or/ October 12-13

• COE Conferences
  • Summer July 21st – 23rd
  • Fall Annual Meeting Nov 7th – 10th

Note: Tentative!

COE 2022 Meeting Schedule

• COE Committee Meetings Aug 10th -12th OR 17th -19th
  • Committee on Accreditation Standards & Conditions
  • Commission Committee on Policies & Rules

• Commission / Executive Committee Meetings
  • Winter Feb 26th -27th or March 12th -13th
  • Summer – June 1st – 3rd
  • Fall Sept 10th – 12th OR 17th – 18th
  • Virtual – Dec 8th-9th OR Dec 15th -16th

Note: Tentative!
Revisions to Handbook of Accreditation

• **Section II.** Development of COE Accreditation
  • C. Mission, Goals, and Objectives of the Council
    • Revised – additional instructions for clarification (pg. 5)

• **Section III.** Affiliation with COE
  • Candidate for Accreditation - Revised wording for clarification (pg. 8)
  • Annual Renewal of Candidate Status (Pg. 9)

Revisions to Handbook of Accreditation

• **SECTION IV.** The Accreditation Process
  • Addition - Possible Commission Decisions (Pg. 17)

• **SECTION V.** Obligations of Affiliation
  • Revised Substantive and Other Changes (Pg. 32)
  • Requirements Applicable to the Commission (pg. 43-44)
Revisions to Handbook of Accreditation

• SECTION VI. Accreditation Standards, Objectives, and Criteria
  • **Standard One:** Institutional Mission
    • Added verbiage to Objectives of Accreditation Related to “Educational Programs” (Pg. 49)
  • **Standard Two:** Educational Programs
    • Added “or Hybrid” verbiage to Criteria of Accreditation Related to “Educational Programs” B. Instruction (Pg. 50 & 51)
  • **Standard Three:** Program Outcomes (Pg. 52)
    • Removed criteria and revised verbiage

• **Standard Four:** Strategic Planning
  • Removed criteria and revised verbiage (Pg. 53)
• **Standard Five:** Learning Resources
  • Revised verbiage from plan to procedure (Pg. 55)
• **Standard Eight:** Human Resources
  • Added “or hybrid” (Pg. 60)
• **Standard Nine:** Organizational Structure
  • Removed criteria and revised verbiage (Pg. 62)
• **Standard Ten:** Student Services and Activities
  • Changed and added verbiage (Pg. 64)
Revisions to Handbook of Accreditation

- **SECTION VII. Definitions**
  - Removed and revised verbiage
  - (Pg. 65, 67, 68, 69, 70, 74)

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**New Official COE federal designator**

3. **Accreditation Manager (AM)**:

Many organizations will often designate an individual, who is not a part of the command team, to manage accreditation, annual reporting and the development of the self-study. Any individual who is in this role must be a part of all communications between COE and the organization. Therefore, each institution may choose to, but is not required to, designate an *Accreditation Manager (AM)* by notifying the Council. The accreditation manager must be a permanent, full-time staff member at the main campus of the institution - other than the chief administrator or the accreditation liaison. The accreditation manager will be able to communicate directly with COE to plan, ask questions, and generally manage the organizations accreditation processes, files, etc., to keep them current with the annual changes from the commission. This individual should also be a primary person to attend annual COE conferences to stay abreast of annual accreditation updates.
COE Discourse and Federal Concerns

- What Federal concerns do you need to be presented at the COE Committee and Commissioners meetings?
  - Criteria causing your team ‘headaches’
  - Criteria you would like to see added
  - Criteria you would like to see clarified
  - Rules or Policy changes that you would like to see?

Questions?

Thank you