Building an Exemplary Accreditation Application and Navigating the Peer Review Process

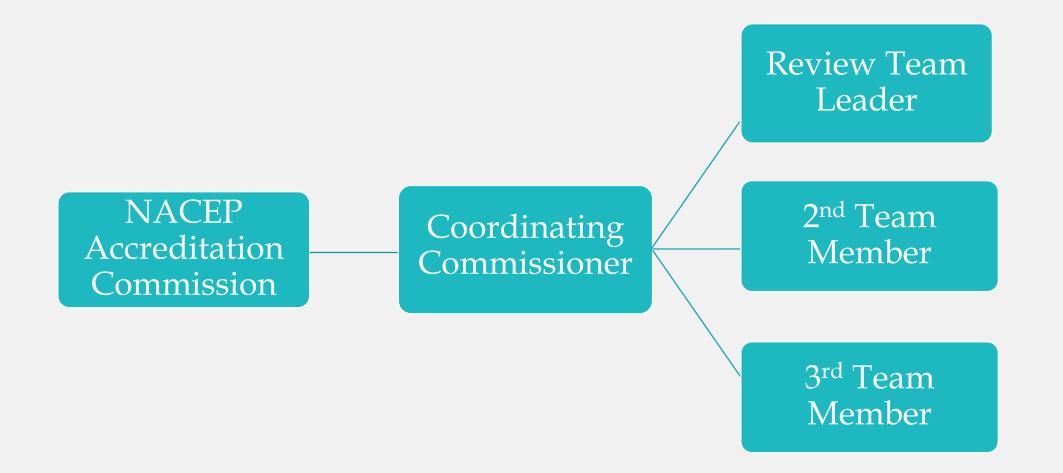




Peer Review Process

- Purpose of accreditation: program improvement & quality assurance
- **Evaluative**, yet collegial, assessment of evidence
- Burden of proof is on you
- Each CEP uses unique language & operates in unique institutional and state policy contexts
- Accreditation Guide is a **resource** used by you and by reviewers
- There are **many ways** to meet a standard
- Standards are reviewed both **individually** and **holistically**

Accreditation Peer Review Structure



Peer Review Timeline

Self Study	1-2 years prior to submitting an application		
Intent Form	Filed November – January		
Prepare & Submit Application	January – July Deadline on or around August 1		
Initial Review by Peer Review Team	September-October		
Interview	At NACEP National Conference (Oct)		
Applicant Response & Additional Review	November – February		
Report of Findings to Applicant	March		
By May 1	Accreditation Commission Vote		

Standards Effective Dates

Standards	Application	Based on School Year	Review Cycle		
Current	Summer 2018	2017-18	June 15 – April 19		
New	Summer 2019	2018-19	August – March		

Compiling an Application Critical Factors for Success

Make sure that your application:

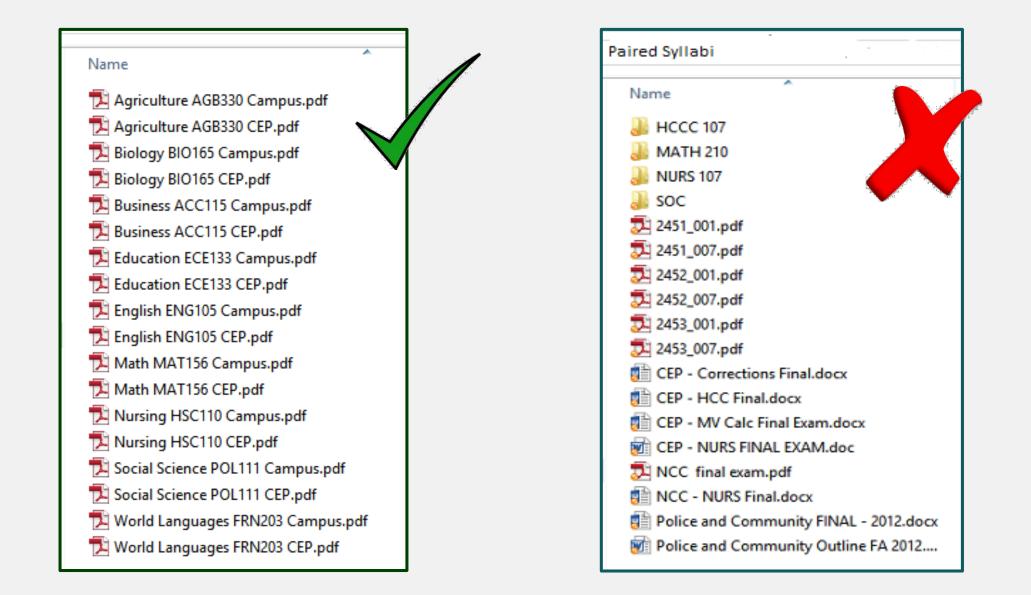
- Includes only and all *concurrent enrollment* as defined by NACEP: college credit-bearing courses taught by high school teachers to high school students (see **Definition**, p.6; **Scope**, p.7)
- Demonstrates that you have implemented all policies and practices described in the Standards *during the school year immediately preceding the application*
- Provides clear, well-organized documentation so that reviewers can verify that the practices are in place

If your CEP is operated across a multi-campus college system, please review that section of the Accreditation Guide and consult with us.

Compiling an Application, continued...

- Organize electronic files for online submission, following NACEP's electronic application requirements
- Use coversheets to explain how your evidence demonstrates your practice
- Be consistent in naming and courses across coversheets, supporting documents, brochures, and webpages
- Have faculty describe their practices and sign the Standard Assessment Form

Electronic Application Requirements Paired Syllabi



Program Description

Program Context

- Basic statistics
- Size and scope
- History and place within college
- Relevant policies and laws
- Mixed courses
- Geography
- Student eligibility
- Payment
- Discipline list only NACEPdefined CE courses

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Program Description

	Institution					
	Program Name		Number of Disciplines			
	Number of Unduplicated Students		Number of Instructors			
P	Credit Hours Awarded		Number of Courses			
E OF NT Ships	Number of Faculty Liaisons		Number of Sections			
SHIPS	Number of High Schools		Average Class Size			

Data provided above should be for the **current academic year completed by July 1**, only for courses meeting NACEP's definition of **concurrent enrollment**: college credit-bearing courses taught to high school students by college-approved high school teachers. Accreditation applications should **only** include supporting evidence for NACEP-defined concurrent enrollment courses. Evidence of other types of dual enrollment is not to be included in the application.

Describe your program in this cover sheet. Include program history and development, whether mixed classes* are allowed and any restrictions placed on such classes, geographic extent, and who pays for courses (student, school, district, college, and/or state). Describe student admission criteria if program is not open admission. Include as a separate document a list of disciplines and the names of courses you offer within each discipline (a recommended template is available on the NACEP website). You should use the list of disciplines that the Commission approved for your application as the basis for organizing your application - which should consistently provide evidence for each discipline for standards Curriculum 2, Curriculum 3, Faculty 3, and Assessment 1, 2, and 3.

Explain how your program fits into your institution as a whole; provide a framework for understanding the depth and breadth of the program; explain the involvement of faculty liaisons and site visitors. Describe any relevant state policies, regulations, statutes, and laws.

List of Disciplines

College/University Name

Concurrent Enrollment Courses Offered by Discipline

School Year 2014-15

18 courses spanning 6 disciplines

	Department	Discipline				Faculty	
College or Division	(if applicable)	#	Discipline	Course #	Course Title	Liaison	#of CE Teacher
Liberal Arts	English	1	English	ENG 101	Rhetoric and Composition I	D. Stilwell	15
Liberal Arts	English		English	ENG 103	Fundamentals of Creative Writing	M. Graham	1
Liberal Arts	English		English	ENG 105	Introduction to Literature	J. Galbus	4
Liberal Arts	French	2	World Languages	FREN 203	Intermediate French I	J. Jensen	4
Liberal Arts	French		World Languages	FREN 204	Intermediate French II	J. Jensen	3
Liberal Arts	Spanish		World Languages	SPAN 203	Intermediate Spanish I	D. Hitchcock	7
Liberal Arts	Spanish		World Languages	SPAN 204	Intermediate Spanish II	D. Hitchcock	4
Nursing & Health Professions	Health Professions	3	Health Professions	HP 115	Medical Terminology for Health Professions	E. Elkins	12
Nursing & Health Professions	Health Professions		Health Professions	HP 211	The Healthcare Delivery System	E. Elkins	2
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Biology	4	Biology	BIOL 105	Biology of Human Concern	B. Kalvelage	9
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Biology		Biology	BIOL 133	Biological Concepts	H. Maurice	1
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Biology		Biology	BIOL 210	Environmental Conservation	B. Summers	2
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Chemistry	5	Chemistry	CHEM 107	Elements in Everyday Chemistry	J. Seyler	10
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Chemistry		Chemistry	CHEM 141	Principles of Chemistry	J. Seyler	8
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Chemistry		Chemistry	CHEM 261	General Chemistry I	J. Seyler	1
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Physics & Earth Science	6	Physics & Earth Sciences	GEOL 112	Earth System Science	J. Durbin	1
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Physics & Earth Science:	5	Physics & Earth Sciences	GEOL 161	Physical Geology	J. Durbin	3
Science, Engineering & Educat	ic Physics & Earth Science:	5	Physics & Earth Sciences	PHYS 101	Introduction to the Physical Sciences	K. Purcell & K. Scheller	11

Questions

