Building an Exemplary Accreditation Application and Navigating the Peer Review Process

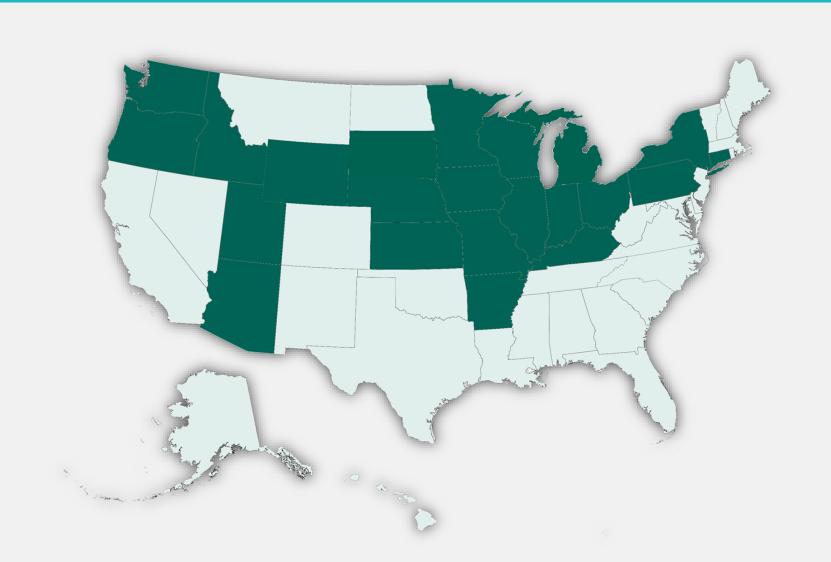




How NACEP Accreditation Strengthens a Concurrent Enrollment Program

- Gives students assurance they are taking authentic college courses
- Aids students in credit recognition
- Enhances reputation of college and high school partners
- Leverage to gain commitments from college faculty and staff
- Cooperation of school partners who value accreditation when communicating with parents
- Schools consult with college when making new hires
- Prepares institutions for regional accreditor reviews

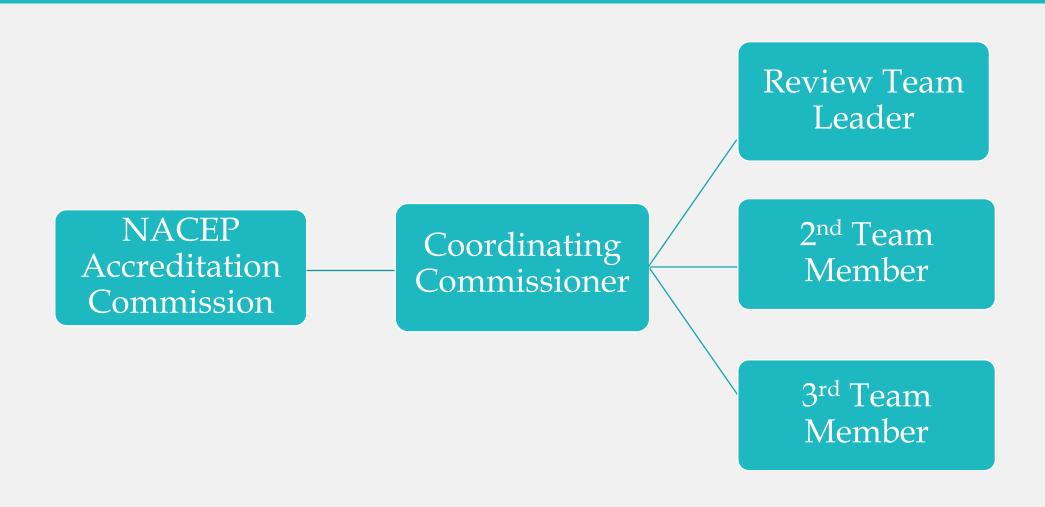
104 Accredited Programs from Coast to Coast



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 December - January		
Prepare & Submit Application	January – June Deadline on or around July 1		
Initial Review by Peer Review Team	August – September		
Interview	At NACEP National Conference (Oct/Nov)		
Applicant Response & Additional Review	December – February		
Report of Findings to Applicant	March		
By May 1	Accreditation Commission Vote		

2017 Standards Effective Dates

Standards	Application	Based on School Year	Review Cycle		
Current	Summer 2018	2017-18	July 18 – April 19		
New in 2017	Summer 2019	2018-19	July 19 – April 20		

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

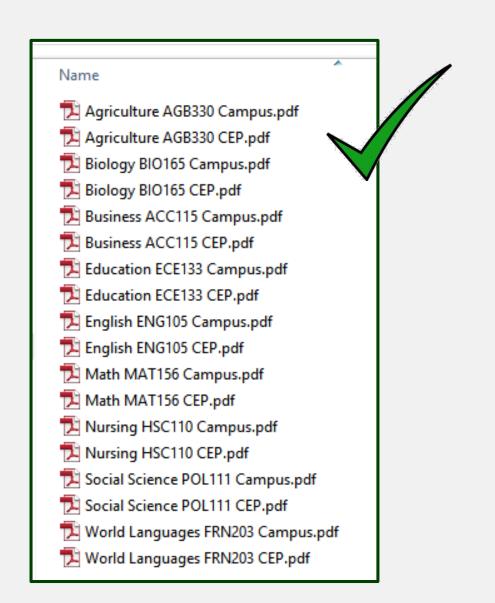
If your CEP is operated across a multi-campus college system, please review that section of the Accreditation Guide and consult with us.

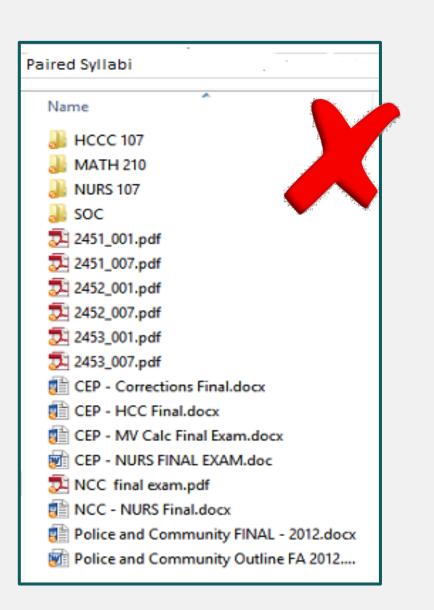
Compiling an Application, continued...

- 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

Program Description

	Institution					
	Program Name		Number of Disciplines			
	Number of Unduplicated Students		Number of Instructors			
NACEP	Credit Hours Awarded		Number of Courses			
NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF CONCURRENT	Number of Faculty Liaisons		Number of Sections			
ENROLLMENT PARTNERSHIPS	Number of High Schools		Average Class Size			

Data provided above should be for the <u>current academic year completed by July 1</u>, only for courses meeting NACEP's definition of <u>concurrent enrollment</u>: college credit-bearing courses taught to high school students by college-approved high school teachers. Accreditation applications should <u>only</u> 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	(ifapplicable)	#	Discipline	Course #	Course Title	Liaison	#of CE Teachers
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 & Educati	c Biology	4	Biology	BIOL 105	Biology of Human Concern	B. Kalvelage	9
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Biology		Biology	BIOL 133	Biological Concepts	H. Maurice	1
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Biology		Biology	BIOL 210	Environmental Conservation	B. Summers	2
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Chemistry	5	Chemistry	CHEM 107	Elements in Everyday Chemistry	J. Seyler	10
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Chemistry		Chemistry	CHEM 141	Principles of Chemistry	J. Seyler	8
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Chemistry		Chemistry	CHEM 261	General Chemistry I	J. Seyler	1
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Physics & Earth Science	6	Physics & Earth Sciences	GEOL 112	Earth System Science	J. Durbin	1
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Physics & Earth Sciences	:	Physics & Earth Sciences	GEOL 161	Physical Geology	J. Durbin	3
Science, Engineering & Educati	c Physics & Earth Sciences	:	Physics & Earth Sciences	PHYS 101	Introduction to the Physical Sciences	K. Purcell & K. Scheller	11

Questions



