



February 17, 2012

Dr. David C. Mitchell
President
Olympic College
1600 Chester Avenue
Bremerton, WA 98337-1699

Dear President ^{David} Mitchell:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Olympic College has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Fall 2011 Year One Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the Fall 2009 Comprehensive Evaluation Report.


In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission requests that the College address Recommendation 1 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report as part of its updated response to Standard One in its Fall 2013 Year Three Self-Evaluation Report. In addition, the Commission requests that the College expand its Fall 2013 Year Three Self-Evaluation Report to address Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2011 Year One Self-Evaluation Report. A copy of the Recommendations is enclosed for your reference.

In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report are areas where Olympic College is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement. Further, the Commission determined that Recommendations 2, 7, and 8 of the Fall 2009 Comprehensive Evaluation Report are areas where Olympic College now substantially meets the Commission's criteria for accreditation.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

All the best.

Sincerely,


Sandra E. Elman
President

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Enclosure: Recommendations

cc: Ms. Ruth M. Ross, Dean of Library Media ✓

Year One Peer-Evaluation Report
Fall 2011
Olympic College
Recommendations

1. The evaluation panel recommends that Olympic College continue to review and refine its indicators and corresponding criteria for success in order to ensure that all indicators are meaningful, assessable, and verifiable, and collectively they will allow the institution to evaluate the accomplishment of the objectives and core themes (Standard 1.B.2).
2. The panel recommends that the College include all major categories of income and expenditures in its three-year planning model (Standard 2.F.2).