



NMU Board of Trustees Accreditation Update

May 1, 2015

Strategy Forum: April 22–24, 2015

Purpose

As a part of our accreditation requirements, NMU participates in an AQIP Strategy Forum every four years. The forum “provides opportunities for institutional teams to give and receive constructive feedback.”

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NMU Team

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Lesley Larkin, Acting Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Cindy Paavola, Assistant to the President – Strategic Initiatives

Kim Barron, Director of Institutional Accreditation and Assessment

Strategy Forum Topics Addressed

- ▶ Category 5: Communicating and Leading Strategy Forum Team will return with an Action Project to address Category 5 areas for improvement
- ▶ Revision of General Education Learning Outcomes and Assessment Action Project
- ▶ Questions for other AQIP campuses and the Higher Learning Commission

Strategy Forum Results

- ▶ Action Project to launch
- ▶ Other initiatives to implement
- ▶ Strategies shared by other AQIP campuses

Accreditation Steering Committee Actions

- ▶ Policy document for choosing an Action Project is complete
- ▶ Policy for committee membership under review
- ▶ Action Project needed for launch by September 30, 2015 (Category 1)

Current Action Projects

- ▶ Action Project #1: Developing Core Values and a Strategic Plan
- ▶ Action Project #2: Professional Development Strategies to Enhance the Student Learning Environment
- ▶ Action Project #3: Developing a Student Inquiry and Complaint Tracking Process

Next Steps:

- ▶ Implement Strategy Forum Action Project and recommendations

- ▶ Site visit 2016–17