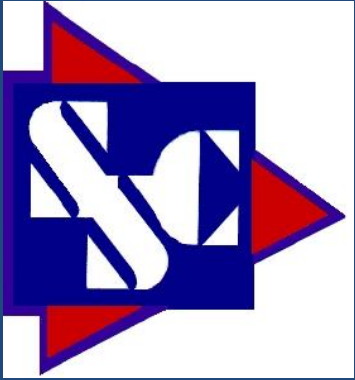


# Accreditation Overview

## SEMINOLE STATE COLLEGE





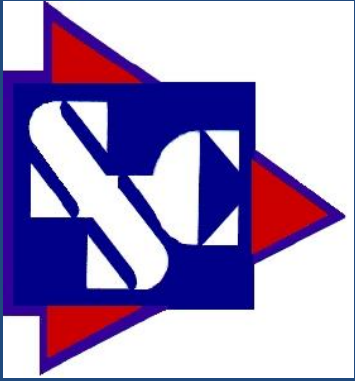
# What is Accreditation?

- process of validation
- satisfaction of established standards or criteria



# Who Accredits SSC?

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is the regional accrediting body who accredits SSC and allows the college to grant degrees and offer federal financial aid.



# Why is Accreditation Important?

- required to grant degrees
- required to offer federal financial aid



# What is the Accreditation Process?

SSC Uses the Open Pathway to Accreditation

## Quality Initiative:

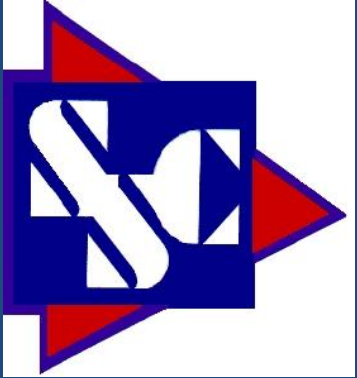
1. Proposal &
2. Report

## Assurance Argument:

1. Four-Year &
2. Ten-Year Updates
3. Evidence File
4. Federal Compliance Report

## Comprehensive Visit:

Feb. 24-25



On-Site Comprehensive Visit  
February 24-25, 2020



## Site Visit Team Includes Five HLC Peer Reviewers:

- Dr. Michael Boyd, Chair
  - Hywanah Lynn Bradman
  - Dr. Kristina S. Binard
  - Moira Lafayette
  - Dr. David Fleming
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- HLC Liaison: Dr. Gigi Fansler
  - HLC Federal Compliance Reviewer: Dr. Neil Pagano



# Dr. Michael Boyd, Site Visit Team Chair

President, Kankakee Community College, Kankakee, IL

Educational Experience:

- PhD, English, Illinois State University, 2004

Expertise Subject Areas:

- Systematic Quality Improvement
- Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI)





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## Educational Experience:

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- MA, Psychology, University of Nebraska – Lincoln, 1998

## Expertise Subject Areas:

- Assessment of Student Learning
- Distance Education (online)
- Institutional Research / Data Collection
- General Education
- Program Review and Evaluation



# Dr. Kristina S. Binard

Associate Vice President of Enrollment Services and Student Support (Retired), Front Range Community College, Westminster, CO

## Educational Experience:

- PhD, Educational Leadership and Innovation, University of Colorado, Denver, 2007
- MS, Student Affairs in Higher Education, Colorado State University, 1994
- BS, Merchandising and Design, Colorado State University, 1989

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- Enrollment Management / Retention / Completion
- Admissions and Recruiting
- Assessment of Student Learning
- Financial Aid



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- Competency-based Education / Direct Assessment
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Associate Dean, Columbia College, Chicago

Dr. Gigi Fansler,

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Vice President for Accreditation Relations, HLC, Chicago



# What Criteria Do We Need to Satisfy?

- Criterion One      Mission
- Criterion Two      Integrity: Ethical & Responsible Conduct
- Criterion Three      Teaching & Learning: Quality, Resources & Support
- Criterion Four      Teaching & Learning: Evaluation & Improvement
- Criterion Five      Resources, Planning & Institutional Effectiveness

*Each Criterion has Core Components and sub-components*

SEE COMPLETE LIST OF ALL CRITERIA WITH CORE COMPONENTS AT  
<https://www.hlcommission.org/Policies/criteria-and-core-components.html>

# COLLEGE FACULTY, DEGREES, and CERTIFICATES

Number of Full-Time Faculty 43

Six with terminal degree or 14% of faculty

Number of Associates Degrees (17 AA, AS Degrees),  
(5 AAS Degrees)

Number of Certificates 2



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