



March 1, 2024

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Dear President Jones:

This letter serves as a final report on the Commission's evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness of College of Western Idaho.

Reaffirm Accreditation

- Recommendation 4: Fall 2016 Initial Accreditation - Fulfilled
- Recommendation 6: Fall 2016 Initial Accreditation - Continued as Needs Improvement and revised to Recommendation 1: Fall 2023 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness
- Finding Type 1: Fall 2022 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review - Fulfilled

The Commission commends College of Western Idaho for:

1. The well designed and smoothly run visit that sets a high bar for accreditation visits.
2. Its well-maintained facilities and grounds creating a warm and welcoming place for students to learn and flourish. The infrastructure includes many spaces for students to congregate and interact for healthful learning and working environments.
3. The high level of collaboration observed between divisions and departments to achieve initiatives and goals. They support one another and enjoy working at CWI.
4. The breadth of student support services and the speed with which they address needs. Exemplary services included advising, tutoring, library, and the Center for Teaching & Learning.
5. The design and early implementation of instructional program and outcomes assessment processes. The design of these processes was intentionally inclusive and accomplished by hard-working faculty, staff, and administrators.

The Commission recommends that College of Western Idaho:

- Recommendation 1: Fall 2023 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Use the results of its assessment efforts to inform and resource academic and learning-support planning and practices to continuously improve student learning outcomes. (2020 Standard(s) 1.B.1;1.C.7)
- Recommendation 2: Fall 2023 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Use a planning process that is inclusive and offers opportunities for all stakeholders to contribute to the college's success.
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- Recommendation 4: Fall 2023 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Regularly and systematically evaluate all full-time and part-time faculty in alignment with institutional policies and procedures. Evaluations are based on written criteria that are published, easily accessible, and that align with institutional policies.