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INFORMATION – NWCCU ACCREDITATION

The Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) is the regional accreditor for CWU. To maintain eligibility for federal higher education funding, CWU is required to conduct periodic, institution-wide self-evaluations based on the following NWCCU criteria: Mission and Core Themes, Resources and Capacity, Planning and Implementation, Effectiveness and Improvement, and Mission Fulfillment, Adaptation, and Sustainability.

In fall 2009, NWCCU conducted a Comprehensive Evaluation of CWU based on an institution-wide self-study and an external review team site visit. In January 2010, CWU was notified of reaffirmation of accreditation, which subsequent reviews affirmed again in February 2012 and February 2015.

CWU is now preparing for site visit in 2018, the final review in the NWCCU's comprehensive review cycle. Preparation for the visit entails preparing a self study that articulates how CWU is accomplishing its mission.

Concurrent with the work on accreditation over the next 12 months, the president has directed a review of the baccalaureate experience and of the general education curriculum.

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