



Guidelines for the Preparation of Comprehensive (All Standards) Reports

Submit five (5) printed copies of the report, one electronic copy of the report, and one copy of the institution's catalog to the Commission office. Send one printed copy of the report, one electronic copy of the report, and one copy of the institution's catalog to each evaluator.

Structure and Contents

1. Title page to include:
 - Title of Report
 - Name of Institution
 - Date Submitted
2. Table of Contents
3. Introduction [One (1) page maximum]
4. Institutional Context [One (1) page maximum]
5. Preface
 - Brief Update on Institutional Changes Since Last Report
 - Response to Topics Previously Requested By the Commission
 - Date of Most Recent Review of Mission and Core Themes
6. Chapter One – Standard One: Mission, Core Themes, and Expectations
 - Section I: Mission: [Three (3) pages maximum]
 - Mission Statement
 - Definition of Fulfillment of Mission
 - Interpretation of an Acceptable Threshold or Extent of Mission Fulfillment
 - Section II: Core Themes: [Maximum of three (3) pages per theme]
 - Descriptive Title
 - Core Theme Objectives
 - Indicators of Achievement of the Core Theme Objectives
 - Rationale as to Why those Indicators are Assessable and Meaningful Measures of Achievement of the Core Theme Objectives
 - Section III: Chapter One Summary [One (1) page maximum]

7. Chapter Two – Standard Two: Resources and Capacity
 - Section I: Governance
 - Section II: Human Resources
 - Section III: Education Resources
 - Section IV: Student Support Resources
 - Section V: Library and Information Resources
 - Section VI: Financial Resources
 - Section VII: Physical and Technological Infrastructure
 - Section VIII: Chapter Two Summary [Three (3) pages maximum]
8. Chapter Three – Standard Three: Planning and Implementation
 - Section I: Institutional Planning
 - Section II: Core Theme Planning
 - For each Core Theme:
 - Integration with Institutional Plan
 - Alignment with Core Theme Objectives
 - Student Learning Outcomes (for Core Themes with Educational Programs)
 - Core Theme Summary [One (1) page maximum]
 - Section III: Chapter Three Summary [Three (3) pages maximum]
9. Chapter Four – Standard Four: Effectiveness and Improvement
 - Section I: Assessment
 - For each Core Theme:
 - Assessment of Achievement of Core Theme Objectives
 - Assessment of Achievement of Goals or Outcomes of Contributing Programs and Services
 - For Educational Programs
 - Degree or Certificate Assessment
 - Program Assessment
 - Student Learning Assessment
 - Use of Results for Improvement
 - Core Theme Summary [Three (3) pages maximum]
 - Section II: Chapter Four Summary [Three (3) pages maximum]
10. Chapter Five – Mission Fulfillment, Adaptation, and Sustainability
 - Section I: Evaluation of Mission Fulfillment
 - Section II: Adaptation and Sustainability
 - Section III: Chapter Five Summary [One (1) page maximum]
11. Report Summary [Five (5) pages maximum]

Report Layout

1. Use letter size portrait orientation (8½" wide by 11" high) with 1" margins on all sides.
2. Use 11- or 12-point type face for the body of the report. Larger fonts may be used for major headings which should be in bold print face and double spaced from the text. Do not use script or italic as the primary font.
3. Number all pages (except Title page, Table of Contents, and Introduction).
4. Single space text in the body of the report.

Publication of Report

To conserve paper and minimize shipping costs, please adhere to the following:

Print Version

1. Use **WHITE** 20 pound paper for the report.
2. Other than the Title Page and Table of Contents page, print on **BOTH SIDES** of the paper.
3. Three-hole punch the report and appendices (if any).
4. Staple reports in the upper left corner. Do not bind or shrink-wrap reports!

Electronic Version

1. Provide the body of the report as a single Windows-compatible Adobe Acrobat file. If available, appendixes may also be sent as a single Adobe Acrobat file. ***Non-Acrobat files and multi-file reports may be returned.*** The file should be emailed to: reports@nwccu.org.

Please contact the Commission Office at 425/558-4224 if you have questions on these guidelines.