

**Barton Community College  
Accreditation Committee  
Committee Charter**

**Name of Team:** Accreditation Committee

**Context:** Accreditation is a quality standard assessed to institutions of higher education. An accreditation status of good standing assures students, families, the public, and government officials the instruction, services, and operations of the institution meets appropriate standards. Institutions must be good standing with accreditors to be eligible to participate in federal financial aid programs. Barton Community College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), a regional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (ED). Institutional accreditation wellness is monitored through various periodic check point activities.

**Purpose:** The Accreditation Committee works towards a comprehensive institutional understanding of and compliance with accreditation requirements and expectations under the HLC Open Pathways accreditation track inclusive of the following:

- Accreditation Requirements & Expectations
  - Criteria of Accreditation
  - HLC Assumed Practices
  - HLC Guiding Values
  - Obligations of Membership
  
- Accreditation Monitoring Activities
  - Annual Submission Institutional Data to HLC
  - Substantive Change Requests/Approvals
  - Additional Location Visits
  - Year 4 Assurance Review
  - Quality Initiative Project
  - Assurance Argument
  - Federal Compliance Report
  - Comprehensive Visit

**Duration and Time Commitment:** The committee is a permanent institutional team. The committee will meet in frequency as is warranted. Sub-committees will meet in accordance with identified projects and tasks.

**Boundaries & Limitations:** The committee operates within Barton Community College Policy and Procedures, Kansas Board of Regents rules and requirements, State of Kansas Statutes, Higher Learning Commission Criteria and Expectations, and Federal Statutes and Regulations.

**Membership:**

<b>Individual</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Role</b>
Myrna Perkins	Chief Accreditation Officer	Committee Facilitator Accreditation Liaison Officer HLC Peer Reviewer
Janet Balk	Directory of Ft Riley Academic Programs	Team Member
Matt Connell	Executive Director of Healthcare Ed	Team Member Student Success Academy
Mark Dean	Vice President of Administration	Criterion 2 & 5 Representative
Jo Harrington	Mathematics Instructor	Coordinator of Assessment Assessment Academy
Lindsay Holmes	Director of Hazardous Materials, Emergency Management, and Occupational Safety and Health	Team Member Student Success Academy
Brian Howe	Dean of Academics	Team Member
Stephanie Joiner	Director of Student Academic Development	Team Member Student Success Academy
Dr. Kathy Kottas	Dean of Workforce Training & Community Education	Team Member
Abby Kujath	Director of Military Student Services	Team Member
Karly Little	Coordinator of Community Education	Team Member
Angie Maddy	Vice President of Student Services	Criterion 2 & 4 Representative Student Success Academy Lead
Claudia Mather	Associate Dean of Instruction	Team Member
Lee Miller	Director of Innovation and Compliance	Team Member
Todd Mobray	Director of Institutional Research	Criterion 1 & 5 Representative Team Member
Cathie Oshiro	Director of Grants	Report Writer
Sarah Riegel	Administrative Assistant	Meeting Scribe
Elaine Simmons	Vice President of Instruction	Criterion 3 & 4 Representative
Kurtis Teal	Dean of Military Academics, Technical Education, and Outreach Programs	Team Member
Randy Thode	Student Services Concierge	Evidence Collection Coordinator

<b>Criteria of Accreditation</b>	<b>Representatives*</b>	<b>Title</b>
Criterion 1. Mission	Dr. Carl Heilman	President
	Todd Mobray	Director of Inst. Research
Criterion 2. Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct	Mark Dean	VP of Administration
	Angie Maddy	VP of Student Services
Criterion 3. Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources, and Support	Elaine Simmons	VP of Instruction
	Angie Maddy	VP of Student Services
Criterion 4. Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement	Elaine Simmons	VP of Instruction
	Jo Harrington	Coordinator of Assessment
Criterion 5. Institutional Effectiveness, Resources and Planning	Mark Dean	VP of Administration
	Todd Mobray	Director of Inst. Research

\*Myrna Perkins, Accreditation Liaison Officer, representative ad hoc for all Criteria.