

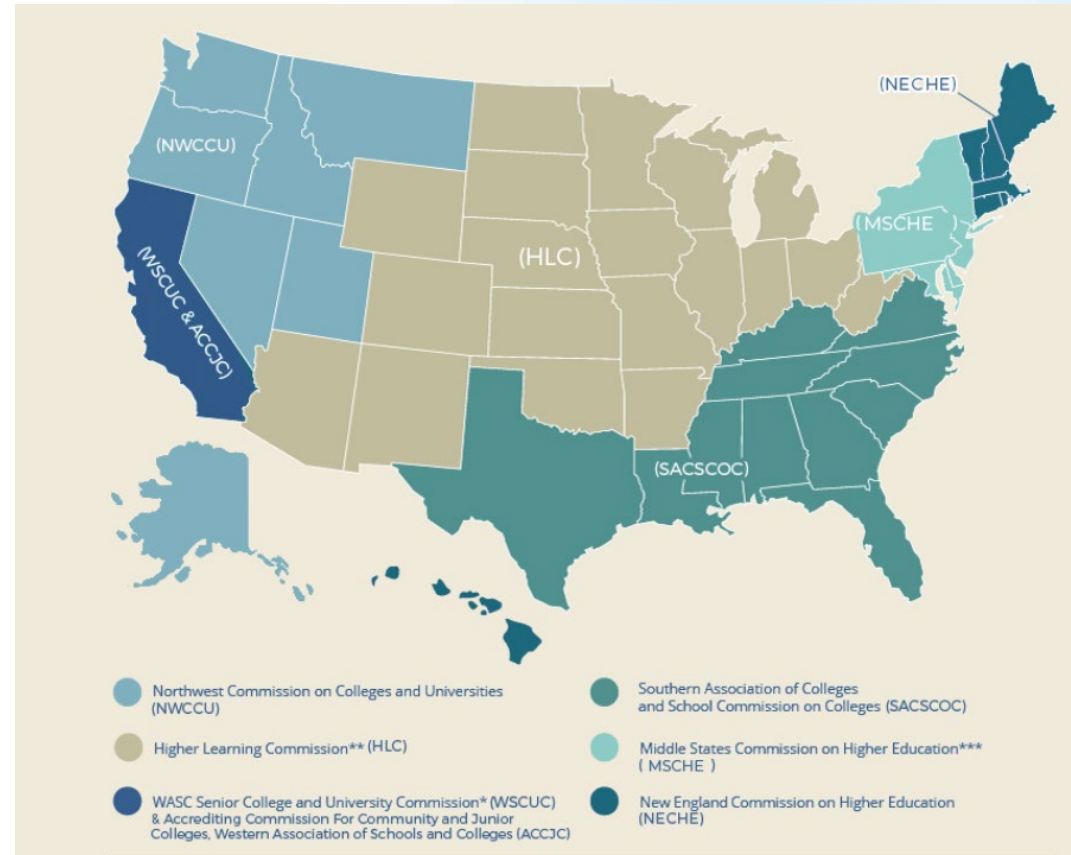
HLC Accreditation Update: Past, Present, and Future

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Higher Education Accreditation

<https://www.chea.org/regional-accrediting-organizations-accreditor-type>



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The Future of Higher Education Accreditation

- The Higher Learning Commission (HLC or The Commission) now classifies as Institutional Accreditor.
- Differential Accreditation speaks to the institution's mission and/or sector served.

HLC Accreditation Pathways

Standard Pathways

- Closer monitoring, institutions at risk
- Comprehensive Visit Years 4 & 10
- <https://www.hlcommission.org/Accreditation/choosing-a-pathway.html>

Open Pathways

- Less monitoring, higher functioning institutions
- Assurance Review Year 4
- Quality Initiative Year 5 – 9
- Comprehensive Visit Year 10

Open Pathways 10-Year Cycle (Past)

Year	Actions
One	Annual Institutional Data Update (AIDU) Substantive Change Requests (Program/Location Changes)
Two	AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests HLC Assessment Academy (Optional)
Three	Quality Initiative Declaration AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests
Four	Year 4 Assurance Argument AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests Multi-Location Visit
Five	Quality Initiative AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests
Six	AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests
Seven	AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests
Eight	AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests HLC Student Success Academy (Optional)
Nine	Multi-Location Visit AIDU Report Substantive Change Requests
Ten	Reaffirmation of Accreditation Assurance Argument Federal Compliance Report Comprehensive Visit

Barton Open Pathways Year 10 (Present)

Month	Actions
November, 2021	Student Success Academy Work (Continuous since 2019)
December, 2021	Began Assurance Argument Discovery Phase
January, 2022	HLC Location Confirmation Request HLC Approval of Certificate Change – Child Care
February, 2022	HLC Approval of Cybersecurity Certificate Began Federal Compliance Report Discovery Phase
March, 2022	AIDU Report Submitted to HLC Website Review Request Additional Location Approval - Pratt
April, 2022	HLC Conference Barton deployment of HLC Student Survey for Comp Visit Pratt Approved
May, 2022	Writing Assurance Argument Writing Federal Compliance Report
June, 2022	Review and Revision of Assurance Argument & Federal Compliance Report Visit Preparation
July, 2022	Identification of HLC Peer Review Team Visit Logistics and Preparation Visit Preparation
August, 2022	Accreditation Liaison Officer works with HLC Peer Review Team Visit Preparation
September, 2022	Submit Assurance Argument and Federal Compliance Report to HLC Last minute work
October, 2022	Comprehensive Visit October 24 – 25, 2022 1 ½ Days Conversation with HLC Peer Reviewers

Open Pathways New Cycle (Future)

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Institutional Status Report: Barton's 10 Year History w/ HLC

History:

07/30/2021, Multi-Location Visit , Visit Completed, 1. Fort Riley Campus
2. Grandview Plaza

History

1/11/2020 - Quality Initiative Report, Genuine Effort.

10/9/2017 - Open Assurance Review, Review Accepted.

5/16/2016 - Institutional Change: Program, Request Approved. Request to offer the Associate of Applied Science in Occupational Safety & Health.

11/13/2015 - Multi Location Visit, Report Accepted. Salina Fire Station, American Medical Response (AMR), Fort Leavenworth

3/2/2015 - Quality Initiative Proposal, Accepted.

3/2/2015 - Quality Initiative Proposal, Proposal Approved.

7/14/2014 - Monitoring, Interim Report, Embedded in Other Process. Embedded in Assurance Review:
9/1/2016

12/2/2013 - Institutional Change: Program, Request Approved with Monitoring. Request to offer the Associate of Applied Science in Technical Studies program. IAC found that the institution's response adequately addressed the concerns raised by the panel, nonetheless leaving some questions, which can be addressed in a monitoring report, due in two years, December 3, 2015.

3/1/2013 - Continued Accreditation, Accreditation Continued.

2/26/2013 - Quality Checkup, Continue Accreditation.

Accreditation Questions?

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