



SAVE THE DATE

WSCUC Special Visit
October 23rd - 25th, 2018

Be prepared – be ready.
Know the 4 Standards!

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Institutional Accreditation – What is it?

Institutional accreditation is a voluntary peer review process of a higher education institution such as UAEU that aims to assure academic quality and accountability and to encourage improvement by an international accrediting agency.

About WSCUC

The WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) is an international accrediting agency from the USA. Through its work of peer review, based on standards agreed to by the membership, the Commission encourages continuous institutional improvement and assures the membership and its constituencies, including the public, that accredited institutions are fulfilling their missions in service to their students and the public good.

WSCUC Core Commitments

- Commitment to Student Learning and Success
- Commitment to Quality and Improvement
- Commitment to Institutional Integrity, Sustainability, and Accountability

The four Standards to be Judged by WASC

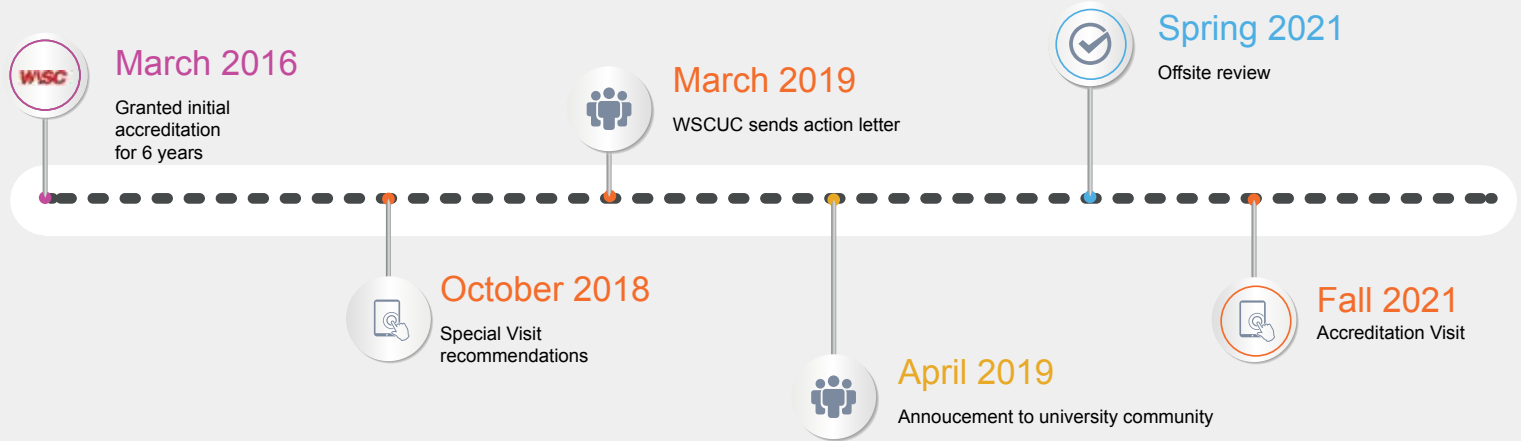
Standard 1	Defining Institutional Purposes and Ensuring Educational Objectives
Standard 2	Achieving Educational Objectives Through Core Functions
Standard 3	Developing and Applying Resources and Organizational Structures to Ensure Quality and Sustainability
Standard 4	Creating an Organization Committed to Quality Assurance, Institutional Learning, and Improvement

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Benefits of institutional Accreditation for the Students, Faculty, Stakeholders and University

- Maintains constant focus on educational effectiveness and the university's processes, which helps identify areas in need of improvement;
- Boosts the university's credibility and visibility in the international higher education sector;
- Assists in recruiting high quality faculty;
- Provides UAEU graduates with more options for overseas study and employment. Graduating from an accredited institution indicates that graduates are ready to practice at a certain level.

Accreditation Milestones



1. What is the WSCUC looking for?

They are looking for evidence to support the validity of the University's claims in the Special Visit Report, that the UAEU community is engaged with the accreditation, further clarification on unclear areas and examination of areas of concern. University processes will be checked to confirm that they are working.

2. What are the visiting team's strategies?

Institutional reports, on-campus interviews, open sessions, and email comments (through a confidential email account) are part of the information collected and reviewed by the team and they are particularly interested in hearing from students enrolled in distance education courses and programs and from students at off-campus sites. The visiting team will also schedule open meetings with students, staff, and faculty to provide an opportunity for informal input from all members of the campus community about their experiences with the university.

3. What should you do?

Students, Faculty and administrators should know their university and all facts pertaining to it. UAEU is a "developed" university not an "emerging" one. Ensure that you are available during the entire visit (23rd-25th October). Be familiar with the plans for improvement and further development.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.uaeu.ac.ae/en/accreditation>