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The University of Wyoming has been continuously accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) since 1923.

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### UW HLC Peer Review Visit November 18-19, 2019 Laramie and Casper

Each week until the HLC peer review team visit, the UW HLC Ops Group is sending news shorts to help you prepare for their visit!



#### November 18 – Peer Review Team Campus Meetings

**1:30-2:20 PM**  
**Open Forum Criteria 3 & 4 – Quality, Resources, Support, Evaluation and Improvement in Teaching and Learning**  
Wyoming Union West Ballroom, free refreshments!

**4:30–5:20 PM,**  
**Open Forum Criterion 5 – Resources, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness**  
Wyoming Union West Ballroom, free refreshments!

**3:30–4:20 PM,**  
**HLC On-Site Drop-In Session for Students**  
(drop by to talk one-on-one with the peer review team)  
Wyoming Union Center Ballroom

**4:30–5:20 PM,**  
**HLC On-Site Drop-In Session for Faculty and Staff**  
(drop by to talk one-on-one with the peer review team)  
Wyoming Union East Ballroom



What will our reviewers ask us while they're here? Click [here](#) to see sample questions you may be asked as a faculty, staff, or student member of our community!



#### HLC Criteria Spotlight

**UW is required to provide direct evidence to HLC supporting our case that we meet five criteria. This week's HLC criteria spotlights are on Criterion One and Criterion Two.**

**Criterion One: Mission**  
*The institution's mission is clear and articulated publicly; it guides the institution's operations.*  
- UW's mission is broadly understood within the institution and guides our operations.  
- Our mission is articulated publicly.  
- UW understands the relationship between our mission and the diversity of society.  
- Our mission demonstrates commitment to the public good.

**Criterion Two: Integrity**  
*The institution acts with integrity; its conduct is ethical and responsible.*  
- UW operates with integrity in financial, academic, personnel, and auxiliary functions; it establishes and follows policies and processes for fair and ethical behavior on the part of its governing board, administration, faculty, and staff.  
- UW presents itself clearly and completely to our students and to the public with regard to our programs, requirements, faculty and staff, costs to students, control, and accreditation relationships.  
- The governing board is sufficiently autonomous to make decisions in the best interest of the institution and to assure its integrity.  
- We are committed to freedom of expression and the pursuit of truth in teaching and learning.  
- Our policies and procedures call for responsible acquisition, discovery and application of knowledge by our faculty, students and staff.



Review [UW's mission statement](#) and our [current strategic plan](#).

Read our **executive summary of our Assurance Argument**, which will be posted at our [UW HLC Accreditation](#) site. If you have time, read the full Assurance Argument!

**Be available** when the HLC team is on campus.