

WIDS and HLC Requirements

WIDS software is a database for designing, aligning, and managing all college curriculum. The reporting tools provide easily customized documentation to ensure that specific HLC requirements are met at all times. Accreditation review becomes easier each time you prepare for your HLC visit. Easily show your accreditation review team how this is happening. The chart below illustrates how WIDS addresses HLC Standards and provides required evidence for accreditation review.

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HLC Requirements	WIDS Feature/Function	Evidence
Criterion 3:	Document Outcomes: Define	Generate reports detailing educational
3.A.1	institution-wide, program and	achievement and improvement through
3.A.2	course outcomes using the	ongoing assessment of student learning
3.A.3	performance-based learning	program-level outcomes (including
Criterion 4:	design approach.	general education) for internal and
4.B.1		external stakeholders.
4.B.2		
4.B.3		
4.B.4		
Criterion 2:	Create Uniform Syllabi: Create	Document evidence, through syllabus
2.E.2	syllabi that contain consistent	archiving, that the institution's policies
2.E.3	college-wide policies and critical	and procedures call for responsible
	information as well as course-	acquisition, discovery and application of
	specific information.	knowledge by its faculty, students and
		staff.
Criterion 4:	Align Outcomes and External	Generate reports and matrices showing
4.A.5	Requirements: Align program	the relationship between outcomes and
	outcomes and external	external standards. Generate evidence
	standards across the curriculum.	that the institution maintains specialized
		accreditation for its programs as
		appropriate to its educational purposes.
Criterion 4:	Map Outcomes: Determine	Generate matrices detailing where
4.B.1	where outcomes are taught	outcomes are introduced, practiced, and
4.B.2	and assessed across a program	assessed within a program and across an
4.B.3	or across the institution.	institution. Generate evidence that
4.B.4		demonstrates a commitment to
Criterion 5:		educational achievement and
5.B.3		improvement through ongoing
5.C.2		assessment of student learning.

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Criterion 4:	Curriculum Review: Save easy	Document the curriculum review
4.A.1	to retrieve versions of the	process and generate reports detailing
4.A.2	curricula and record evidence of	the history (archive) and status of
	reviewer feedback.	programs and courses including faculty
		feedback. Generate evidence that
		institution demonstrates responsibility
		for the quality of its educational
		programs.
Criterion 4:	Design Assessments: Create	Generate reports detailing the specific
4.B.1	rubrics that directly align to	link between the outcomes and the
4.B.2	competencies, outcomes, and	assessed learning. Generate evidence
4.B.3	external standards.	that the institution demonstrates a
4.B.4		commitment to educational
		achievement and improvement through
		ongoing assessment of student learning.
Criterion 4:	Plan Outcome Assessments:	Generate assessment result reports. Use
4.B.1	Develop assessment plans and	the resulting data to apply continuous
4.B.2	define standards for student	quality improvement practices to
4.B.3	success.	improving teaching and learning.
4.B.4		Generate evidence that the institution
		demonstrates a commitment to
		educational achievement and
		improvement through ongoing
		assessment of student learning.
Criterion 4:	Document Curriculum	Use the Outcome Assessment Plan to
4.B.1	Improvement Projects:	document improvement strategies and
4.B.2	Create program effectiveness	close the assessment loop. Generate
4.B.3	and continuous improvement	evidence that institution works
4.B.4	plans. Use curriculum mapping	systematically to improve its
Criterion 5:	and assessment planning to	performance.
5.C.2	determine where gaps in	
5.D.1	student learning exist.	
5.D.2		