

# got accreditation?

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## Events

**Feb. 20:** HLC presentation during the General Faculty Meeting

**Feb. 26:** Faculty and Staff Open Forum, 3 p.m. in the Kansas Room in the Memorial Union, refreshments will be served

**March 19 & 20:** The Quest for Accreditation – There may be wine and beer....Look for more details!

**March 25 & 26:** HLC representatives on campus!

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## Washburn's Mission Statement

Washburn University enriches the lives of students by providing opportunities for them to develop and to realize their intellectual, academic, and professional potential, leading to becoming productive and responsible citizens. We are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarly work, quality academic and professional programs, and high levels of faculty-student interaction. We develop and engage in relationships to enhance educational experiences and our community.

## Mission in a Sentence

A good summary of the mission to remember is "Washburn's mission is to enrich the lives of our students through excellence in teaching, scholarship, and engagement on campus and in our community."

## Evidence of Our Guiding Mission

What is some of the evidence that shows that Washburn University has a clear mission that guides our operations?

- Washburn defines and reviews our goals and objectives in the Vision 2022 Strategic Plan process in context of the mission, vision, and core values.

- The last two completed strategic reviews resulted in establishing five strategic themes in support of our mission - Academic excellence, educational opportunities, community connections, living/learning/working environment, and fiscal stewardship. The latest round of strategic planning has begun, reaffirming our mission and strategic themes, and adding inclusion to our core values.

- We state the mission, vision, and core values on the university web site and in our catalogs.

- We support our students – from the underprepared to the highly prepared – in attaining their academic goals with multiple initiatives, including but not limited to the Center for Student Success and Retention, the First Year Experience program, the Tutoring and Writing Center, Ichabod Ignite program, the Ichabod Success Institute, the University Honors Program, the Leadership Institute, the Washburn Transformational Experience, Learning in the Community (LinC), and international programs.

- We support our faculty in their scholarly endeavors and in their teaching through internal research grants and programming offered through C-TEL.

- We embrace diversity through curricular offerings, co-curricular activities, campus events, and recruitment of students, faculty and staff.

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# HLC Visit March 25-26, 2019