

## ACCREDITATION TIMELINE OVERVIEW

ONCE	<p><b>Academic Quality Improvement Process (AQIP) Application/Acceptance</b></p> <p><b>Comprehensive Self-Assessment/Vital Focus</b> process including  <b>Constellation Survey</b> (Online staff survey)  <b>Conversation Day</b></p>	<p>Summer 2004</p> <p>11/2004 03/2005</p>
ANNUALLY	<p>Work on continuous improvement through <b>Action Projects</b></p> <p><b>Action Project Update</b> filed with Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA)</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Annually Each September</p>
EVERY 3-4 YEARS	<p><b>Attend Strategy Forum</b> Strategy Forum provides institutions a supportive, facilitated peer review process that will stimulate and assist in selecting, critically examining, and committing to Action Projects that will drive quality improvement.</p> <p>Forum #1 Forum # 2</p> <p><b>Written Systems Portfolio</b> Systems Portfolio consists of an Organizational Overview and explains each of the major systems employed to accomplish the mission and objectives. There are over 120 specific questions to be answered relating to each of the nine AQIP categories. WCTC is asked to “take stock” of its overall systems for maintaining a quality institution of higher education.</p> <p><b>System Portfolio Appraisal</b> Consists of independent and consensus review by AQIP Appraisers resulting in Appraisal Feedback Report.</p> <p><b>Check-up Visit</b> by HLC/NCA</p>	<p>05/2005 Spring or Fall 2008</p> <p>Fall 2007</p> <p>Spring 2008</p> <p>Fall 2008 or Spring 2009</p>
EVERY 7 YEARS	<p><b>Reaffirmation of Accreditation</b> - The combination of the current Systems Portfolio, six years of Action Projects, Systems Appraisals, Check-up Visit and other interactions with AQIP and the HLC, will result in review of the reaffirmation of the accreditation through AQIP.</p>	<p>2010</p>