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GCC RECEIVES ITS LATEST ACCREDITATION REPORT

Glendale Community College will continue its fully accredited status while working to meet recommendations made by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

The Commission issued a "warning" to the college, the lowest possible level of sanction, on deficiencies related to administrative and budgetary procedures. The college began addressing these deficiencies immediately upon receiving the initial team letter in April 2010.

Recommendations were made based on the GCC Self Study Report, the report of the evaluation team visit to the college in March and additional material submitted by the college.

ACCJC had no concerns with GCC's shared governance process and was complimentary of the leadership process evidenced by all constituency groups

including the faculty and classified unions, Academic Senate, college administration and the Board of Trustees.

Recommendations from the report offer no concerns in regard to the the student learning environment, the quality of the educational process or the academic rigor GCC is known for therefore, these recommendations have no negative impact on students.

The college is required to submit a written progress report to the Commission in March 2011. This written plan will include strategies to strengthen the linkage among the program review, planning and resource allocation processes; complete all employee evaluations; develop a comprehensive approach in planning for faculty and staff diversity; and to implement long range planning in Information and Technology Services that is linked to budget allocation.

A follow up report in March, 2012 will examine how the college has met recommendations in development and implementation of Student Learning Outcomes (SLO); ensure all major policies affecting students are published in an accessible manner; address inadequate staffing levels for maintenance and custodial functions; and ensure the safety of the servers so the system is not at risk of overheating.

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ABOUT GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Glendale Community College (GCC) is a public community college that is governed by a five-member elected board of trustees. GCC has provided quality higher education to students of all backgrounds, ages, abilities and learning styles since it was founded in 1927. Rooted in the history of the city of Glendale, the college has a remarkable tradition of being responsive to the changing needs of the workforce, and local community. GCC is open equally to all adults or high school graduates who can benefit from higher education. GCC's primary mission is to prepare students for successful transfer to four-year universities or for successful placement in rewarding careers such as nursing, culinary arts, and computer technology. The faculty is dedicated to quality education that prepares students for future careers as well as their responsibilities to our community, state and society.

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