

Key Benchmarks for Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute

As a result of the last comprehensive evaluation in March 2011, the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) has indicated the next comprehensive evaluation visit will be in the 2013-2014 academic year. The “Key Benchmarks” below will prepare us for this next visit as we apply for accreditation; meanwhile SIPI remains in candidacy status.

1. Evaluation

Higher Learning Commission Criterion Four: Academic Programs-Evaluation and Improvement

The institution assures the quality of its academic programs and evaluates their effectiveness through processes designed to promote continuous improvement.

Department of Education Goal 4: Continuous evaluation and improvement of SIPI’s individual academic and student support programs that support student learning and the strategic direction of the institution as a whole. Continued implementation:

- a. Program Review
- b. Program Assessment
- c. On-going Self Study
- d. Institutional Research and Effectiveness Office

2. Governance

Higher Learning Commission Criterion Two: Integrity

The institution fulfills its mission ethically and responsibly.

- a. Define relationships and operating procedures – BIE/Board of Regents//SIPI
- b. Development Office (clarify funding process)

3. Fiscal Accountability

Higher Learning Commission Criterion Five: Resources and Planning

The institution’s resources are sufficient to fulfill its mission, improve the quality of its educational offerings, and respond to future challenges and opportunities.

Department of Education Goal 1: Effective internal controls including sound financial management and budgeting including linking continuous improvement process and planning to budget.

Department of Education Goal 2: Timely submission of audits.

- a. Fiscal management
 - i. Annual Audit
 - ii. Amending FFS
 - iii. Change to FBMS

- b. Funding
 - i. Sources (fees, appropriations, grants, etc.)
 - ii. Contingency fund (how to)
 - iii. Forward funding

4. Resources and Planning

Higher Learning Commission Criterion One: Mission

The institution's mission is clear, articulated publicly, and appropriate to an institution of higher education.

Higher Learning Commission Criterion Three: Academic Programs-Quality, Resources, and Support

The institution provides high quality academic programs, wherever and however its offerings are delivered (on the main campus, at additional locations, by distance delivery, as dual credit, through contractual or consortial arrangements).

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Department of Education Goal 3: Effective planning for the future, with the participation of faculty, staff, students, and SIPI stakeholders.

- a. Grants Management
- b. Organizational Chart
 - i. Review and revise based on planning and resources
- c. Hiring Plan
- d. Development Office (support from Department of Education)

5. Transparency and Integrity

Higher Learning Commission Criterion Two: Integrity

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Department of Education: Risk Mitigation/Management (systematic reduction in the extent of exposure to a risk and/or the likelihood of its occurrence.)

- a. Documents Management
 - i. Culture of Evidence
 - ii. Data Driven Decision Making/Evidence of ‘closing the loop’
 - iii. Public Access
- b. Handbooks
- c. Policies
- d. SOPs
- e. Agendas, Minutes, etc.
- f. Reports



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Summer 2011 Enrollment by Gender and Status

MF	Totals	Commuter F/T	Commuter P/T	Dorm F/T
M	136	29	9	98
F	181	59	36	86
Totals	317	88	45	184

Summer 2011 Average Age: 26.8

Summer 2011 Top Ten Tribe Enrollments

Tribe Name	Enrolled
Navajo Nation of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah	158
Pueblo of Jemez, New Mexico	18
Kewa Pueblo, New Mexico (formerly Pueblo of Santo Domingo)	14
Pueblo of San Felipe, New Mexico	10
White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona	9
Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico	9
Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico	8
Zuni Tribe, New Mexico	6
Hopi Tribe of Arizona	5
Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico	5

Summer 2011 Enrollment by State

State	Enrolled
AK	4
AZ	74
CA	4
CO	3
IL	1
IN	1
MT	1
NM	207
OK	8
OR	1
SD	4
TN	1
TX	1
UT	1
VA	1
WA	3
WY	2



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Fall 2011 Enrollment by Gender and Status

MF	Totals	Commuter F/T	Commuter P/T	Dorm F/T
M	237	50	22	165
F	263	65	52	146
Totals	500	115	74	311

Fall 2011 Average Age: 25.6

Fall 2011 Top Ten Tribe Enrollments

Tribe Name	Enrolled
Navajo Nation of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah	258
Pueblo of Jemez, New Mexico	27
Zuni Tribe, New Mexico	21
Kewa Pueblo, New Mexico (formerly Pueblo of Santo Domingo)	19
White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona	18
Pueblo of San Felipe, New Mexico	18
Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico	15
Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico	11
Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico	7
Hopi Tribe of Arizona	6

Fall 2011 Enrollment by State

State	Enrolled
AK	4
AZ	121
CA	4
CO	2
GA	1
IL	1
IN	1
MS	1
MT	2
NM	331
NV	4
OK	7
OR	2
SD	5
TN	1
TX	1
UT	4
VA	1
WA	4
WI	1
WY	2



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Academic Year 2010-2011 Graduates

Program Name	Degree	Totals
Accounting	AAS Degree	8
Business Administration	AAS Degree	8
Business Administration	AS Degree	3
Computer Aided Drafting and Design	Certificate	11
Computer Science Information Systems	AS Degree	1
Culinary Arts	AAS Degree	1
Early Childhood	AA Degree	12
Early Childhood Education	AA Degree	2
General Education Development (GED)	Certificate	2
Geospatial Information Technologies	AAS Degree	1
Hospitality Services Management	AAS Degree	2
Institutional Cooking and Baking	Certificate	7
Liberal Arts	AA Degree	13
Natural Resources Mgt. Specialty	AAS Degree	5
Network Management	AAS Degree	4
Optical Laboratory Technology	Certificate	1
Vision Care Technology	AAS Degree	5
Totals		86

Fall 2011 Program Enrollment

Program Name	Totals	Undeclared	AA Degree	AAS Degree	AS Degree	Certificate
Accounting	28			27		1
Business Administration	29			7	21	1
Computer Aided Drafting and Design	6					6
Computer Science Information Systems	4				4	
Culinary Arts	12			12		
Early Childhood	42		38			4
Early Childhood Education	7		7			
General Education Development (GED)	20					20
Geospatial Information Technologies	1			1		
Geospatial Information Technology	2					2
Hospitality Services Management	9			9		
Institutional Cooking and Baking	4					4
Instrumentation and Control Technology	6			6		
Liberal Arts	72		72			
Liberal Arts (Non-Degree); Science and Humanities	1		1			
Natural Resources Management	23			23		
Network Management	23			22		1
Office Information Applications	2					2
Ophthalmic Dispensing	1			1		
Optical Laboratory Technology	8					8
Pre-Engineering	24				24	
Vision Care Technology	22			22		
Adult Basic Education	132	132				
Developmental Education	22	22				



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