BARTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

"Doing Accreditation" Newsletter

Criterion 3: Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources, and Support

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Barton Provides quality education wherever and however its offerings are delivered.

What is some of the evidence that shows Barton provides quality education?

- · Barton's program quality and learning goals are consistent across all modes of delivery and locations.
- · Barton is in good standing with all program-specific accreditation. Barton programs with specialized accreditation include: Dietary Manager, Emergency Medical Services, Medical Laboratory Technician, Practical Nursing, and Registered Nursing.
- · Barton offers different credential levels: Associate Degrees (AS/AA/ AGS/AAS), Certificates leading

- to workforce readiness, and Stand Alone Programs such as Certified Nurse Aide, Phlebotomv. and Emergency Medical Technician. All levels. Learning goals and program quality are appropriate to credential level.
- Barton has 21 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Advisory Boards with industry expertise that provide input on workforce needs, program/course development and improvements
- Barton has a comprehensive, biennial Instructional Review process to ensure Barton programs align with the College mission and strategic plan. The reviews also ensure program currency, quality, and rigor.

- Barton has developed robust assessment processes and institutionalized a culture of assessment.
- · Barton has five fundamental outcomes that direct curriculum: critical thinking, life-long learning, historical perspective, technological perspective, and cultural perspective.
- · Barton Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement encourages human, cultural, and intellectual diversity in the educational experience.
- Through the work of teams such as the Learning, Instruction, and Curriculum Committee (LICC), faculty hold primary responsibility for curriculum.

C3 Questions the HLC Team Might Ask:

- · What is the process for making curriculum changes to academic programs?
- Are you familiar with Barton's student learning outcomes?
- How is course quality and consistency ensured in full-term versus part-ofterm courses? In online versions of face-to-face courses? In dual credit courses?
- · How are staff and faculty evaluated at Barton? What is your impression of the evaluation process?
- Are classes offered at Barton taught by qualified faculty including adjuncts and concurrent enrollment course instructors? How does Barton ensure this?
- · What is the purpose of Barton's general education courses?

- · How does Barton provide support for the development of online courses?
- · Does Barton provide sufficient technology support for you to do your job?
- What resources are available to support faculty? Are they sufficient?
- What is the role of faculty in ensuring academic quality?
- · Does Barton have a commitment to retention and progression to graduation? How successful have the efforts been?
- What professional development is afforded to staff members who support student learning? Academic advisors, and financial aid staff?