# Higher Learning Commission

- The Criteria for Accreditation are organized under five major headings.
- Each Criterion has three elements:
  - Criterion Statement,
  - Core Components,
  - Examples of Evidence.



- Criterion One: Mission and Integrity
- Criterion Two: Preparing for the Future
- Criterion Three: Student Learning and Effective Teaching
- Criterion Four: Acquisition,
   Discovery, and Application of Knowledge

# Criterion Five Engagement and Service

Innovation Through Collaboration:



• Criterion Statement

As called for by its mission, the organization identifies its constituencies and serves them in ways both value.



• Core Component 5A

The organization learns from the constituencies it serves and analyzes its capacity to serve their needs and expectations.



- Learning through advisory structures (campus, school, and departmental advisory groups)
- Community involvement in program review, specialized accreditations, and planning new programs
- Learning through requests for feedback (unit evaluations, feedback from accountability reports)
- Learning through the work of existing partnerships (e.g., WESCO/George Washington, Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet)



• Core Component 5B

The organization has the capacity and the commitment to engage with its identified constituencies and communities.



- Investment in leadership units (e.g., CSL, Solution Center, International Affairs)
- Capacity through internal and external collaborations and grants (TRIP, service learning scholarships)
- Philanthropic giving in support of engagement, Signature Centers



• Core Component 5C

The organization demonstrates its responsiveness to those constituencies that depend on it for service.



- Interdisciplinary and "21st century" degree programs and other curricular responsiveness
- Collaboration with elementary and secondary education (including Talent Alliance)
  - With and supporting schools, educational professionals, and associated neighborhoods
  - Support for elementary and secondary students (especially programs to support diverse populations)
- Partnerships with other postsecondary educational institutions
  - With Ivy Tech Indianapolis and Columbus for transfer and articulation, with Butler, University of Indianapolis, with Moi and Renmin

- Engagement with health communities (including AMPATH)
  - Expanding the pool of service providers (Statewide Medical Plan, rural healthcare development)
  - Direct health care services (IU Health, service outreach from Medicine, Dentistry)
  - Building health capacity in communities (Nursing initiatives,
     Sound Medicine and other media programs)



- Service supporting arts and culture
  - (museums, music performances and innovation, archaeology, Herron/Basile, Shakespeare projects, Polis Center, Spirit & Place, nonprofit programs, library outreach in Columbus, public access and digital archive work of University Library)
- Collaboration for economic development
   (TRIP and similar research programs, collaboration with major economic development planning organizations)



Core Component 5D
 Internal and external constituencies value the services the organization provides.

- Determining the value of internal constituencies for services to ourselves and others (student, faculty, and staff)
- Institutional rewards for engagement and service (faculty promotion and tenure, faculty and staff awards and recognitions, student awards and scholarships)



- External constituencies' value for IUPUI engagement and service
  - Surveys and conversations
  - Awards and other recognitions
  - Indirect expressions of appreciation (including implicit value through philanthropic giving, taking advantage of events and facilities open to the public, Cultural Trail, hosting of community activities in Indianapolis and Columbus)
  - Recognitions for professional and public service by individual faculty, staff, and students
  - Recognitions for schools and other units (Social Work, Dentistry)
  - Local and national awards to the campus

# Strengths

- Civic engagement an explicit part of mission, overlapping and combining with other mission elements
- Strong commitment includes developing infrastructure, investing resources, supporting engaged research, conducting scholarship on service, promoting educational practices, assessing outcomes, and communicating identity to the public
- Strong network of existing connections that continue to generate new partnerships



# Strengths



- Strong civic, business, and educational support in Columbus
- Explicit fostering of engagement in curriculum and cocurriculum through Academic Plan and RISE
- Financial structure and planning process that allow units to address new initiatives
- Culture of collaboration
- Others?

# Challenges

Innovation Through Collaboration:

- Diffusion makes holistic assessment difficult (examples of a couple of approaches to better describe activity)
- Additional mechanisms for capturing community voice and participation in campus activities.
- Developing with the central Indiana community a Civic Agenda.
- More even infusion of civically engaged pedagogies throughout the undergraduate and graduate curriculum

Others?