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IUPUI accreditation reaffirmed!

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The entire campus can be proud as the site team observed: IUPUI has "national stature and is known for strengths in teaching, learning, assessment, first-year experience, service learning, and community engagement." And "IUPUI excels at identifying and providing service to its constituents." You can read the site team report at http://www.iupui.edu/2012/.

The accreditation process is mandatory. All public and private colleges and universities must be accredited by one of six regional associations in order to be eligible to receive financial aid from the federal government. IUPUI is in the North Central region and is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Following our initial accreditation in 1972, every ten years we have developed a comprehensive self-study in preparation for a review by a visiting team of some dozen members.

In 2008 we appointed the 2012 Committee of faculty and administrative leaders to prepare the campus for its review in 2012. A first step was to ensure that student learning of the knowledge and skills related to the Principles of Undergraduate Learning was addressed in every undergraduate curriculum. Graduate faculty were encouraged to put into practice the Principles of Graduate and Professional Learning. Next, faculty in every undergraduate and graduate degree program developed a statement of student learning outcomes, and these were posted on the Registrar's Web site. Then work began on the self-study, which was completed in June 2012. The campus visit conducted by eleven faculty and administrators from other universities in the North Central region occurred November 5-7, 2012.

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