



ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES
Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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July 8, 2016

Dr. Rachel Solemsaas
Chancellor
Hawai'i Community College
200 W. Kawili Street
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Dear Chancellor Solemsaas:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 8-10, 2016, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by Hawai'i Community College and the evidentiary materials also submitted. The College Chancellor and the Vice President for Community Colleges of the University of Hawai'i certified the Report. The purpose of the Commission's review was to determine whether the College provided evidence that it adheres to Board of Regents policy on faculty evaluations and continues to meet Standard III.A.1.c.

After considering the written material noted above, the Commission finds that Hawai'i Community College has provided evidence that it adheres to Board policy and meets Standard III.A.1.c.

The Commission requires that you give the Follow-Up Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who were signatories of the Report. You should also make these documents available to all campus constituencies and the public by placing a copy on the college website. Please note that in response to public interest in accreditation, the Commission requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution's home page.

The Commission reminds Hawai'i Community College that its next scheduled report is the Institutional Self Evaluation Report in preparation for the comprehensive review in **fall 2018**.

The Commission encourages the College's continued work to ensure educational quality and to support student success. Accreditation and peer review are most effective when the College and the ACCJC work together to focus on student outcomes and continuous quality improvement in higher education. Thank you for sharing the values and the work of accreditation.

Dr. Rachel Solemsaas
Hawai'i Community College
July 8, 2016

If you should have any questions concerning this letter or the Commission action, please don't hesitate to contact me or one of the ACCJC Vice Presidents. We would be glad to help you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara A. Beno".

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Dr. John Morton, Vice President for Community Colleges, University of Hawai'i