

1.9. The institution is committed to honest and open communication with the Accrediting Commission, to undertaking the accreditation review process with seriousness and candor, and to abiding by Commission policies and procedures, including all substantive change policies.

Evidence:

The premier evidence of this is the detailed, cumulative [SSU Portfolio](#). This document provides detailed information on SSU's responsiveness to WASC reviews of past years, and the university's current endeavor to develop a robust culture of evidence-based institutional planning. The university's WASC Institutional [Proposal](#) for Accreditation Review illustrates the seriousness with which Sonoma State is undertaking the review process. The Portfolio is an online repository of all accreditation-related university activities, including links to the documents detailing the university's strategic planning process. The Accreditation Review Steering Committee ([ARSC](#)), composed of faculty and key administrators, is the key accreditation planning committee. The work of the ARSC is documented in the committee's [minutes](#).

Most recently, members of the Sonoma State reaccreditation team attended the 2007 WASC conference in order to learn more about the accreditation review process and the role of assessment at the university-wide, departmental, and course levels. The conference was an engaging learning experience for team members, and the team plans to attend and also present at the 2008 WASC conference.