The WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC / wascsenior.org) accredits Humboldt State University. During the Review Team’s accreditation reaffirmation visit, the visitors will be asking members of the university community about these areas of interest. How would you respond? Here are some examples of what HSU has been doing, our successes, and our challenges.

1: Impact on effectiveness of senior-level administration changes
- Institutional foundations such as the Strategic Plan and 2025 Graduation Initiative continue
- Strategic reviews of all vacancies are occurring
- Student Success Alliance and Retention and Graduation Councils created

2: Improving student learning with assessment
- Academic Assessment Coordinator hired
- Core Competency & Graduate Program annual and five-year assessments started
- Academic Program Review revised as part of our continuous improvement efforts

3: Meeting retention and graduation goals with data-driven decision making
- Office of Institutional Effectiveness provides data, analysis, and assessment
- Reimagining Freshman-Year Experience initiative transformed into the Student Success Alliance
- Course Scheduling based on students’ plans and space needs
- Resource request, review, and approval processes being evaluated

4: Sustaining and completing our initiatives
- Professional advising expanded to first two years
- Cohort block scheduling expanding to all freshmen
- Retention through Academic Mentoring Program (RAMP) expanded
- Center for Teaching and Learning professional development assessment

5: Need for sustainable budget process
- University Resource and Planning Committee formed
- Integrated Assessment, Planning, and Budgeting working group created
- Strategic Enrollment Management Plan coming in May 2018

We encourage each individual and university group to reflect on these challenges and their impacts on student success. The institutional report that HSU submitted to WSCUC in July 2017 and an expanded version of this one-pager are on wasc.humboldt.edu and provide additional information.