

SPOKANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Commendations and Recommendations
2003 NWCCU Final Report

GENERAL COMMENDATIONS

- Spokane Community College students enthusiastically and consistently share their recognition and appreciation of faculty and staff excellence with the evaluation team. The evaluation team commends the faculty and staff for their pride and dedication for the college and its students.
- The college is commended for its well-maintained physical plant, and its ability to keep the campus accessible, modern and attractive even during difficult financial times.
- At a time when budgets have forced other institutions to reduce and/or eliminate high-cost career and technical programs, SCC is commended for sustaining these much needed programs for the residents of Eastern Washington, in particular, and the State, in general.
- The college is commended for its entrepreneurial spirit in establishing and maintaining external partnerships with business and industry and for fostering interdisciplinary studies.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- The committee recommends that the college continue to develop and implement a systematic institutional planning and evaluation system. [Standard 1: 1.B, 1.B.3, 1.B.4, 1.B.6, 1.B.7, 1.B.9]
- The committee recommends that assessment of college educational programs become integrated into the overall institutional effectiveness plan. [Standard 2.B.1]
- The committee recommends that the college demonstrate the linkages between the institution's goals and objectives and its resource allocation to achieve these goals and objectives. This process should be clearly defined, documented and participatory with appropriate constituencies. Furthermore, the strategic plan should address the needs of the college regarding technology and equipment across all units, and resources for upgrades, acquisitions, and replacements need to be developed and implemented. [Standards 5.A.1, 5.D.6, 7.A.3, 8.B.1, 8.B.2]
- The committee recommends that a process for all part-time instructor evaluation using multiple indices be implemented.
- The committee recommends that the college clarify its campus system of governance to facilitate the successful accomplishment of its mission and goals. [Standard 6: 6.A.1, 6.A.2, 6.A.3, 6.A.4]