



SACSCOC Working Group

Faculty and Academic Administration

May 19, 2026

Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Review charge of working group and roles of members
3. Review *Principles of Accreditation* assigned to working group
4. Review key milestones
5. Discuss meeting cadence
6. Other business

Working Group Charge and Roles

Support the University's SACSCOC decennial reaffirmation by reviewing the University's compliance with the group's assigned *Principles of Accreditation*, collecting evidence of compliance, and preparing drafts of the Compliance Certification Report

Working Group Co-Chair(s): Coordinate meetings of working group, assign members deliverables and track progress, communicate progress with the accreditation liaison, serve as the primary writer of the group's draft narrative

Working Group Members: Collect and upload evidence, review drafts, provide insight into the University's compliance with selected principles

Resources for Support

- SACSCOC [Resource Manual](#) for the *2024 Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement*

5.4 The institution employs and regularly evaluates administrative and academic officers with appropriate experience and qualifications to lead the institution. (*Qualified administrative/academic officers*)

Rationale and Notes

In order to ensure that an institution has effective leadership to accomplish its mission, the institution employs academic and administrative officers with the credentials and expertise appropriate to the duties and responsibilities associated with their positions. Administrator qualifications align with position descriptions. There is an expectation that these administrative and academic officers are regularly evaluated to allow feedback on performance.

NOTES

There are separate standards regarding policies pertaining to appointment and evaluation of other personnel [(Standard 5.5 (Personnel appointment and evaluation) and Standard 6.3 (Faculty appointment and evaluation)]. It would be appropriate to reference the current standard in those other standards if the evidence of evaluation of senior leadership appears only in Standard 5.4 (Qualified administrative/academic officers).

Questions to Consider

- Is the combination of credentials and experience appropriate for the positions held?

Sample Documentation

- Organizational chart to clarify the leadership roles and the names of the persons to be reviewed.
- Position descriptions and details as to appropriate qualifications for each person to be reviewed.
- Résumés, as appropriate. Résumés should be current.

Reference to SACSCOC Documents, If Applicable

None noted.

SACSCOC good practices: [Developing Policy and Procedures Documents](#)

Resources for Support

- SACSCOC Annual Meeting Session Presentations (link to be provided)
- UT Dallas SACSCOC Website (sacscoc.utdallas.edu – refresh coming)
 - Recommend you do not start with 2018 CCR or 2024 Fifth Year Interim Report
- Your Institutional Accreditation Liaison (IAL) and OISDS Team
 - IAL can contact other UTS or Texas Liaisons
 - IAL can contact SACSCOC Vice President (Dr. Matthew Melton)
 - Support for meetings and logistics

Assigned *Principles of Accreditation*

5.4 Qualified administration/academic officers*

6.1 Full-time faculty

6.2.a Faculty qualifications

6.2.b Program faculty

6.2.c Program coordination

Resource: [Excerpts from SACSCOC Resource Manual](#)

* denotes principle is assigned to multiple working groups

Key Working Group Milestones

Date	Milestone
November 2025	UT Dallas Approved for Differentiated Review
May/June 2026	Working Group Organizing Meetings Completed
October 23, 2026	Working Groups Submit First Draft of CCR Narratives
November 2026	OISDS Reviews First Drafts and Provides Feedback to Working Groups
February 26, 2027	Working Groups Submit Second Draft of CCR Narratives
March 2027	OISDS Reviews Second Drafts and Provides Feedback to Working Groups
April 30, 2027	Working Groups Submit Final Drafts of CCR Narratives
May 2027	OISDS Reviews Drafts and Coordinates Final Narrative
Summer 2027	OISDS Completes Final CCR and Prepares for Submission to SACSCOC
September 8, 2027	CCR Due to SACSCOC

Other Key Reaffirmation Dates

Date	Milestone
Summer 2026	QEP Focus Identified and Approved by University Leadership
October 31 – November 3, 2027	SACSCOC Off-Site Peer Review
March 14 – March 18, 2027	SACSCOC Liaison Observes Peer Site Visit
February 4, 2028 (tentative)	QEP Proposal Due to SACSCOC
March 20-23, 2028	SACSCOC On-Site Visit at UT Dallas
December 5, 2028	Official Decision from SACSCOC

Next Steps

- Discuss working group's meeting cadence
- Review selected *Principles of Accreditation* Resource Manual documentation prior to next meeting
- Identify evidence and documentation for CCR
 - Do not submit yet – we will share process for uploading documentation next time



Questions? Thank you!