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## Quick Facts

- The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) approved both the university's five-year report and its Quality Enhancement Plan Impact report without requesting any follow-up information.
- The committee was pleased with Winthrop's submission and requested no additional reports or information, an important outcome that allows Winthrop to move forward to the next phase of the reaffirmation process.
- President Dan Mahony credited the hard work of the faculty, staff, administrators, and students in helping to achieve this status.

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Dan Mahony

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – Winthrop University recently **received good news from its regional accrediting body**, the **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)**, approving the university's Fifth-Year Interim Report and indicating Winthrop's compliance with the 17 select standards of the Principles of Accreditation and accepting Winthrop's **QEP Impact Report on the Global Learning Initiative**.

Winthrop submitted a detailed report on its compliance with the standards outlined in the commission's Fifth-Year Interim Report. The **committee was pleased with Winthrop's submission** and requested no additional reports or information, an important outcome that allows Winthrop to **move forward to the next phase of the reaffirmation process**.

**President Dan Mahony** was pleased to share the news with the campus community via email. "I **credit the hard work of our faculty, staff, administrators, and students in helping to achieve this status**. This good news is the reflection of a continuous cycle of assessment, evaluation, and improvement that is a critical part of institutional excellence."

Mahony also stated that he had been notified that the university's 2021 reaffirmation review has been moved to 2022 due to the larger number of institutions scheduled for review in 2021.

Winthrop received initial regional accreditation from SACSCOC in 1923 and received its last reaffirmation of accreditation in December 2011. Accreditation by the Commission on Colleges signifies that the institution has a mission appropriate to higher education, has resources, programs, and services sufficient to accomplish and sustain that mission, and maintains clearly specified educational objectives that are consistent with its mission and appropriate to the degrees it offers, and that indicate whether it is successful in achieving its stated objectives.

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