Suggested Resources

The items listed below are a partial list of documents that you may want to use in creating your SACS response. It is not a complete list – please use any resources that you think are best to support your narrative.

Use the most recent version of all documents.

- Institutional documents such as:
 - Undergraduate and graduate catalogs
 - Institutional and programmatic academic policies such as admissions and completion requirements
 - Policies related to employment, supervision, orientation and evaluation of part-time faculty
 - Bylaws and minutes of faculty and staff assemblies, senates or other representative bodies
 - Governance documents: charters, bylaws, minutes, reports, membership and policies
 - Files containing documentation of academic preparation, such as official transcripts, for all full-time and part-time faculty
 - A completed faculty roster for a full-time and part-time faculty teaching coursework during the current academic term
 - Course syllabi
 - Minutes of institutional, divisional and departmental standing committee meetings
 - Formal agreements of all cooperative relationships among libraries
 - Student Services policies related to student governance, rights and responsibilities, residence halls, financial aid, student records, and health services
 - Audits, board rosters, charters and bylaws of separately incorporated entities
 - Any reports from the athletics certification program of the NCAA (for Division I institutions)
 - Reports from other agencies and accrediting bodies
- Compliance certification report documents such as:
 - Survey instruments and results.
 - Minutes of the compliance certification committees.
 - Unit-level reports.
 - Compliance certification operational manuals and proposals.
- Institutional planning documents such as:
 - Policies and procedures related to implementation, review and evaluation of the curriculum
 - Library policies such as the development and evaluation of its mission statement, materials acquisitions and disposal policies
 - Policies for allocation of computer resources
 - Interim budget reports for all units
- Maintenance and safety plans.
- Previous reports such as:
 - Copy of the previous institutional self-study
 - Visiting committee report from the previous institutional self-study
 - Institutional response to that report
 - Follow-up reports requested by the commission
- Special reports such as:
 - Copies of reports of any special committee or substantive change committees which have visited the institution
 - Responses to those reports
 - Follow-up reports requested by the commission