

HLC Fact of the Day:
“HLC Assurance Argument: Subcomponent 3C2”
(with specific focus on “Faculty Qualifications”)
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In the HLC Criteria for Accreditation, Subcomponent 3C2 says:

All instructors are appropriately qualified, including those in dual credit, contractual, and consortial programs.

In our Assurance Argument being prepared for HLC, and in support of the 3C2 standard, this is what we say regarding “Faculty Qualifications”:

Faculty Qualifications

Lindenwood has high standards for credentialing of its faculty. In 2016-17, 75% of the full-time faculty possessed a terminal degree (74% - St. Charles; 79% - Belleville). Lindenwood's Instructor Qualifications policy ensures the employment of qualified instructors, per HLC assumed practices. Qualified instructors, including those in dual credit programs (also see 4.A.4), are identified primarily by credentials, but in some cases tested experience is also considered. The Office of Human Resources, in collaboration with faculty and academic administrators, retains credential files and oversees hiring processes for full-time faculty and instructors, adjunct instructors, and staff instructors. A faculty listing, with degrees, can be found in each academic catalog.

To learn more about accreditation and Lindenwood’s comprehensive evaluation and site visit scheduled for November 6-7, 2017, and to see the countdown clock to the visit, go to the HLC page on the Lindenwood website here: <http://www.lindenwood.edu/about/higher-learning-commission/>.

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