

**HLC Fact of the Week:**  
**“HLC Assurance Argument: Criterion 2 on Integrity”**  
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Core Component 2A in our Assurance Argument addresses the following: “The institution operates with integrity in its financial, academic, personnel, and auxiliary functions; it establishes and follows policies and processes for fair and ethical behavior on the part of its governing board, administration, faculty, and staff.” With regard to the matter of “fair and ethical policies”, a number of policies are referenced in the Assurance Argument. Those policies and pertinent documents include:

- [Board of Directors Code of Ethics](#)
- [Employee Guidebook](#) (personnel policies, including grievance procedures for [faculty](#) and [staff](#))
- [Employee Code of Ethics](#)
- [Whistle Blower Policy](#)
- [Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act \(FERPA\)](#)

Click on the above links to learn more about these policies.

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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