

HLC Fact of the Week:
“What We Can Say and Not Say With Regard to Accreditation”
(July 21, 2017)

- We cannot say that any of our degree programs are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission because HLC only accredits the institution as a whole and not individual programs.
- We cannot say that our online programs are fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission because HLC only accredits the institution as a whole and not individual programs.
- We can say Lindenwood is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and has been approved by HLC to offer online undergraduate and graduate degrees.
- We can say that some of our programs (e.g., business) have been accredited by specific specialized accrediting bodies (e.g., ACBSP).
- When we make reference to Lindenwood being accredited by HLC, we are not to use the phrase “fully accredited.”

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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