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What is SACSCOC accreditation?

SACSCOC stands for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on College and is the regional body that grants accreditation to colleges and universities in the Southern states. Essentially, schools conduct campus-wide reviews to ensure that campuses are meeting required standards and addressing the needs of students and society.

What does reaffirmation mean?

Every ten years, the university must undergo the process for reaffirmation of accreditation by SACSCOC. Successful reaffirmation provides the following essentials for students;
- Access to federal financial aid, grants and other support
- Acceptance of Lee University students into graduate schools
- Eligibility for professional licensing
- Increases student achievement and preparation for living in the complex world

What is Lee University’s QEP?

QEP stands for Quality Enhance Plan and is a significant, campus-wide project that is created every ten years. The institution’s current focus is Integrative Learning: Pathways to Faith and Vocation.

The understanding and integration of core values - ethical action, redemptive service, and responsible citizenship - will be explored and developed in already existing high-impact learning pathways (first-year courses, global perspectives, service-learning, internships, and senior capstone courses). These pathway experiences will serve the purpose of integrating academic knowledge with faith and vocation.

What are the core values at Lee University?

Ethical action is living as God calls us to live, with uncompromised commitment to justice and the sacredness of human life.
Redemptive service is engagement in benevolent labor in an effort to eradicate systemic oppression.

Responsible citizenship is submitting ourselves to God and our neighbor by using our resources, abilities, talents, and energy to be good stewards.

What are the three projects for the QEP?

Project 1: Gateway Freshman Seminar, Biblical and Theological Foundations for Benevolence, and Global Perspectives Seminar will be unified to create a first-year sequence that highlights Lee’s core values.

Project 2: Experiential learning opportunities and academic courses will apply academic knowledge to core values via application across disciplines.

Project 3: Capstone courses will be revised in order to reinforce and implement the core values.

What is the major student learning outcome of the QEP?

In the view of the university, vocation is the call of God to see both the “wounds and wonders” of contemporary life and to take responsibility for the world’s flourishing.

As a result of their study of the general core and major programs at Lee University, students will be able to demonstrate the integration of Christian faith and vocation through the practice of ethical action, redemptive service, and responsible citizenship in the church, the community, and the world.