

Middle States Review

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE 2018



Welcome to our Newsletter!

Twice each semester your Middle States Self-Study Chairs, Tammy Peery, Eric Benjamin, and Melissa Gregory, will update you on the progress of our Self-Study work. It's been a very busy year and a half, all leading to the completion of the document this fall and the arrival of our visiting evaluation team in spring 2018. We want you to be involved. A rough draft of the Self-Study was released on February 27, and you can find a link to it on our web page at montgomerycollege.edu/middlestates18. This draft is the result of work by our amazing seven

workgroups, over 100 faculty, staff, students, and administrators from the College. Each standard draft loads separately, and each has a feedback form to submit to our email address, middlestates18@montgomerycollege.edu. Please submit comments by Friday, April 14, so that we can incorporate them into the next draft which will be completed in early May.

We are also beginning our spring listening tour series, based on the drafts of the standards. See the article below for dates, times, locations, and sign-up information. You are an important part of the Self-Study process, and we need to hear from you!

Middle States 2018 Self-Study Chair TEaM

Tammy, Eric, and Melissa

March 2nd, 2017





Spotlight on the Standards Standard I: Mission and Vision

Co-Chairs Sonia Pruneda-Hernandez, Clevette Ridguard, Donna Schena

"The institution's mission defines its purpose within the context of higher education, the students it serves, and what it intends to accomplish."

Do you know the Montgomery College mission and vision? "We empower our students to change their lives, and we enrich the life our community. We are accountable for our results. With a sense of urgency for the future, Montgomery College will be a national model of educational excellence, opportunity, and student success. Our organization will be characterized by

agility and relevance as it meets the dynamic challenges facing our students and community." In addition, Montgomery College has identified six core values that guide our daily actions: excellence, integrity, innovation, diversity, stewardship, and sustainability.

The Standard I workgroup is examining the development of our mission and goals, their relationship to our MC 2020 strategic plan, and their alignment to key College initiatives. This chapter of our Self-Study provides analysis and evidence of how the institution's mission and vision exemplify the ethos of the College as documented in the Montgomery College 2020 strategic plan, innovative academic and student services programming, strong leadership, focus on student success, innovative teaching and learning, and holding ourselves accountable. We have found that our vision of being a national model of educational excellence, opportunity, and student success is infused throughout all our activities as documented by the array of student and community offerings.

Interested in learning more about our analysis of the College mission and goals? You can review a draft of the standard at montgomerycollege.edu/middlestates18 or come to an upcoming Listening Tour to provide feedback on our progress.

Spring 2017 Listening Tour Sessions

Week One

Monday, March 6, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Germantown Campus, BE 160

Standards I & II

Tuesday, March 7, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Rockville Campus, SC 152

Standards VI & VII

Wednesday, March 8, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Gaithersburg Training Center 442

Standards I & II

Thursday, March 9, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus, CM 218

Standards VI & VII

There will be 19 listening sessions scheduled in March and early April. To see the full schedule, [click here](#).

To register, go to MCLearns, select "schedule of classes & events," then select "pedagogy & instruction." Search for "Middle States," being sure to select the Standard Session in which you are interested. If you are unable to attend a session, you can review the chapter drafts at the link on montgomerycollege.edu/middlestates18 and complete a feedback form.

**Middle States Self-Study
Listening Tour Sessions
Spring 2017**

During this series of 90 minute workshops, participants will review and share input for the revision of the first chapters of the Middle States report. One activity will ask participants to work in small groups to respond to open questions from the workshop with a focus on content and the study recommendations. A second activity will provide participants with the opportunity for broader discussion and general feedback. These activities will require participants to review the 12-14 page drafts in advance of the session in order to provide the workshop with meaningful feedback. Participants may register for either two spots in advance of the session sessions with fewer than 2 registrants will be accepted.

These sessions are open to staff, faculty, administrators, and students. Everyone is encouraged to attend all sessions for each Standard being...

Standards I & II Sessions: Mission & Vision (Standard I), Ethics & Integrity (Standard II)

Standards III & IV Sessions: Design & Delivery of the Student Learning Experience (Standard III) and Educational Effectiveness Assessment (Standard IV)

Standard V Session: Support of the Student Learning Experience (Standard V)

Standard VI & VII Sessions: Planning, Resources, & Multifaceted Improvement (Standard VI) and Governance, Leadership, and Administration

Session Summary	Session Summary	Session Summary	Session Summary
Standards I & II	Standards III & IV	Standard V	Standards VI & VII
Session Chair(s) - 3	Session Chair(s) - 3	Session Chair(s) - 3	Session Chair(s) - 3
1:30pm - 3:00pm (Standard I) 40 minutes	Design and Delivery of the Student Learning Experience (Standard III) 40 minutes	Support of the Student Learning Experience (Standard V) 40 minutes	Planning, Resources, & Multifaceted Improvement (Standard VI) 40 minutes
Ethics & Integrity (Standard II) 40 minutes	Educational Effectiveness Assessment (Standard IV) 40 minutes	Quality Session - Prep (Standard VI & VII) 40 minutes	Quality Session - Prep (Standard VI & VII) 40 minutes