ACCSC SCHOOL GUIDE – MOVING FROM LICENSED TO ACCREDITED

THE 4 MILESTONES INSTITUTIONS MUST ACCOMPLISH TO ACHIEVE ACCREDITATION

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This chart will help you visualize the internal process institutions go through to move from licensed to accredited. The tasks are grouped into 4 milestones. Each milestone builds the foundation for the next. No skipping!

MILESTONE 1 – ALIGNING YOUR INSTITUTION WITH ACCSC STANDARDS			
•	Reviewing ACCSC's eligibility criteria and establishing a plan to address pending items necessary to qualify for the Initial Application. Submitting ACCSC's Pre-Workshop Application. Attending ACCSC's Initial Accreditation Workshop. Submitting ACCSC's Application Part I and exhibits. Aligning your institution with ACCSC standards: Policies, Procedures, Student Files, Employee Files, Catalog, Faculty Handbook.	Completed?	Free Reference Guides Eligibility Self-Assessment Policies and Procedures Operations Manual Graduate File Documents Withdraw File Documents Employee File Documents
MILESTONE 2 – IMPLEMENTING ANNUAL EVALUATIONS			
•	Issuing Your Institution's Annual Operations Calendar. Conducting meetings ACCSC compliant: staff, advisory committee, faculty, financial, institutional planning. Conducting surveys ACCSC complaint: graduates, students, end of course, employers, employees, policies and procedures. Conducting program reviews ACCSC compliant: reviews by advisory committee and faculty.	Completed?	Free Reference Guides <u>Annual Meetings</u> <u>Annual Surveys</u>
MILESTONE 3 – ISSUING YOUR ANNUAL ASSESSMENT PLAN			
•	Publishing your first Institutional Assessment Plan (IAIP). Conducting and documenting quarterly IAIP Plan reviews.	Completed?	Free Reference Guides Preparing the IAIP Report
MILESTONE 4 – PREPARING THE ACCREDITATION DOCUMENTS AND VISIT			
•	Confirming Accreditation Readiness. Preparing Application Part II and the Self Evaluation Report (SER). Preparing for the Accreditation Preliminary Visit. Submitting the final Application Part II and SER. Hosting the On-site Visit. Responding to the On-Site Evaluation Report.	Completed?	Free Reference Guides Readiness Self-Assessment Annual Operations Calendar Preparing the Self- Evaluation Report

Requirements may vary depending on your institution's scope and programs. This is a sample guide to help you get started.

We recommend confirming current accreditation standards and requirements before starting the process.

Need assistance with your institution's ACCSC initial accreditation? We are glad to help. Visit our <u>ACCSC Accreditation Page</u> for the application process information and additional reference guides. Visit <u>ACCSC Accreditation Consulting</u> for a list of the services we provide. Request a complimentary consultation. <u>Bayside Projects Consulting.</u>