

Higher Learning Commission
2008 Annual Meeting

Dr. Robert McCue, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Academy for Assessment of Student Learning team members from WSC attended the Higher Learning Commission's annual meeting April 11-14 in Chicago. Academy for Assessment of Student Learning team members attending the conference were Dr. Patricia Arneson, Dr. Gwen Jensen, Phyllis Spethman, and Sue Sydow. During the conference, Dr. McCue and Sue Sydow attended an Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) Colloquium and the Academy for Assessment of Student Learning team members were involved in a "Learning Exchange and Showcase" where time was provided to work with a HLC assessment mentor.

More than 3,800 administrators and faculty from a wide variety of higher education institutions located throughout its 19-state region attended the 2008 Annual Meeting. Wayne State College participate in AQIP's first poster fair during the AQIP Colloquium held on April 12. The HLC hopes that the posters displayed will inspire those at the AQIP Colloquium to appreciate both the potential and the achievements of the continuous improvement efforts described on the posters.

Wayne State 's poster demonstrated how Wayne State College confronted the challenge of implementing an institutional, systematic method of program assessment; explained the college's all-campus assessment retreat and Academy for Assessment of Student Learning involvement; and provided charts on how data flows through the institution as it is used to cultivate a culture of assessment.

The Wayne State College poster was created and designed through the efforts of Sue Sydow, Director of Assessment; Trudy Muir, Graphic Design Artist; and Edmund Elfers, Director of the Technology Resource Center. The poster can be accessed at http://www.wsc.edu/assessment/forms/aqip_poster_3-08.pdf.