Accreditation:
Building Bridges
Around the World,
How International
Partners Play a Role

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## **Broward College Accreditation**

Broward College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and School Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate and baccalaureate degrees.



#### **To Maintain Institutional Accreditation**

Broward College and our International Partners must maintain compliance with SACSCOC standards and report substantive changes as required.

#### Within The USA

- Broward College Campuses (within the USA)
- Broward College Off-campus sites (within the USA)

#### **International Sites/Centers**

Off-Campus sites outside the USA

#### What is accreditation?

"Accreditation by SACSCOC signifies that the institution (1) has a mission appropriate to higher education, (2) has resources, programs, and services sufficient to accomplish and sustain that mission, and (3) maintains clearly specified educational objectives that are consistent with its mission and appropriate to the degrees it offers, and that indicate whether it is successful in achieving its stated objectives." - SACSCOC The Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement, December, 2021

#### **Section 8: Student Achievement**

"Student learning and student success are at the core of the mission of all institutions of higher learning. Effective institutions focus on the design and improvement of educational experiences to enhance student learning and support student learning outcomes for its educational programs. To meet the goals of educations programs, an institution provides appropriate academic and student services to support student success."

## Standards related to Student Achievement:

- 8.1- Student Achievement
- 8.2.a— Student Outcomes: Educational Programs
- 8.2.b. Student Outcomes: General Education
- 8.2.c. Student Outcomes Academic and Student Services

### **Understanding Standard 8.2.a:**

- 8.2.a— Student Outcomes: Educational Programs
  - Associate of Arts
    - Two competencies in addition to general education
    - Digital Literacy
    - Problem-solving
  - Partnership with international faculty and Broward College International Education Department and Broward College local faculty

### **Understanding Standard 8.2.b:**

- 8.2.b. Student Outcomes: General Education
  - Six competencies:
    - Effective Communication
    - Mathematical & Scientific Reasoning
    - Critical Thinking
    - Ethical Reasoning
    - Information Literacy
    - Global Self-Awareness
  - Partnership with international faculty and Broward College International Education Department and Broward College local faculty

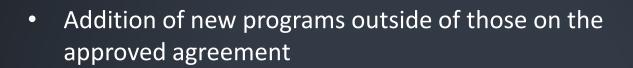
## What is a Substantive Change?

"A substantive change is a significant modification or expansion of the nature and scope of an accredited institution. Substantive change includes high-impact, high-risk changes and changes that can impact the quality of educational programs and services..." - SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation Manual, December, 2021

# What are the types of Substantive Change?

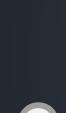
- Institutional Changes
- Program Changes
- Off-Campus Instructional Site/Additional Location Changes

Program Change Disclosure Requirements



- Modifications in method of delivery
- Program closed to admission or entry
- Program re-opening within five years of closure





Off-Campus Instructional Site Disclosure Requirements



25-49% - Notification

50% or more – Approval prior to implementation

Site Relocation:

 Serves the same geographic area or population of students



- Site closure
- Site Re-opening

## Importance of Communication

Please notify Broward College's International Education (IE) team about ANY upcoming substantive changes



If an international center is unable to notify the IE team prior to the substiave change, notification should be no later than 14 – 30 calendar days.

If Broward College is not notified of any substantive changes an international site is not authorized to deliver courses in partnership with Broward College

## 2023 SACSCOC Off-Campus Instructional Site Visits

#### June 5-9, 2023:

1. Guayaquil, Ecuador:

#### July 10 – 14, 2023:

- 1. Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- 2. Jakarta, Indonesia
- Colombo, Sri Lanka (Virtual Visit)

#### **Key Preparation**

- Communication with Broward College & The International Education Green Institute
- Planning & Logistics
- Collaboration with Broward College and OCIS Team to Prepare Faculty, Staff & Students

## QUESTIONS?



### **Thank You & Contact Information**





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