

Peru State College earns continued accreditation

(PERU)-- Peru State College has received continuing accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) for ten years, with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2031-32. HLC accredits degree-granting colleges and universities that are based in the United States. Institutional accreditation validates the quality of an institution as a whole and evaluates multiple aspects of an institution, including its academic offerings, governance and administration, mission, finances, and resources.

"We are pleased to receive notice of continuing accreditation," said Dr. Tim Borchers, Vice President of Academic Affairs. "The affirmation of the peer review team speaks to the dedication of our faculty and staff in providing an engaging and personalized education for our students that is of high quality."

According to the HLC, institutions are evaluated against its Criteria for Accreditation, a set of standards that institutions must meet to receive and/or maintain accredited status. Following the submission of a self-study report, a team of five peer reviewers visited campus in late March to validate the report, talking with students, faculty, staff, and administrators.

In its final report, the review team wrote, "The Team commends Peru State College on a thorough and well-documented Assurance Argument. It was clear from the Argument and the campus visit that PSC is mission-driven, with strong advocacy on their behalf from the Nebraska State College System Office."

The report continued, "Furthermore, the institution seems well equipped to serve the needs of students with excellent facilities and admirable student support services. The team was impressed by the high level of professionalism among faculty and staff, and the recognition by students of the institution's commitment to their success. As a whole the faculty who spoke with team members during the visit demonstrated resounding devotion to students and their profession to meet these challenges."

The state's first college, Peru State provides students of all backgrounds access to engaging educational experiences to strengthen and enrich communities, Nebraska and the world. Peru State is a member institution of the Nebraska State College System.

