

High Learning Commission (HLC)

Reaffirmation of Accreditation

What is Accreditation?

1. Assuring and advancing the quality of higher education.
2. Required to be eligible for federal student financial aid.
3. Validates that GovState meets the criteria for accreditation.
4. Accredits the entire university not a specialized program.
5. A visit member (peer reviewers) must visit the university as part of the accreditation process.

When is GSU's visit with the HLC?

1. February 26-27, 2024 is date for the campus visit.
2. Prior to the campus visit, the review team will read GSU's Assurance Argument.
3. The peer review team arrives on February 26 and conducts interviews with Governors State University's faculty, staff, students, administration, and Board of Trustees

What will occur during the HLC Visit?

During the interviews, the team members will be determining whether GSU meets the standards for accreditation.

1. A team of 4-5 members peer reviewers will conduct interviews with the Governors State University faculty, staff, students, administration, and Board of Trustees.
2. The peer review team will seek to validate the evidence that was presented in the GovState's Assurance Argument is factual and true. The Assurance Argument addresses the five Higher Learning Commission's criteria for accreditation.
3. During the interviews, the peer review team will be determining whether GovState meets the five criteria and the core components as outlined for accreditation.