

OPEN PATHWAY 10-YEAR CYCLE

Cycle Year	Institutional Activities		Peer Review	HLC Decision-Making ¹
2013-14	<i>PEAQ Visit for UST occurred November 2013</i>			
2014-15 Year 1	Institution may contribute documents to Evidence File			
2015-16 Year 2				
2016-17 Year 3				
2017-18 Year 4	Submit Assurance Filing (Assurance Argument and Evidence File) ² June 18, 2018		Conduct Assurance Review (no visit) ³	Acceptance of Assurance Review ⁴
2018-19 Year 5	Institution may contribute documents to Evidence File	Period to submit Quality Initiative Proposal August 31, 2021	Review Quality Initiative Proposal Fall 2019	
2019-20 Year 6				
2020-21 Year 7		Period to submit Quality Initiative Report August 31, 2023	Review Quality Initiative Proposal	
2021-22 Year 8				
2022-23 Year 9				
2023-24 Year 10	Submit Comprehensive Evaluation Materials ⁵ Fall 2023		Conduct Comprehensive Evaluation (with visit)	Action on Comprehensive Evaluation and Reaffirmation of Accreditation ⁶

1. HLC will continue to review data submitted by affiliated institutions through the Institutional Update, will apply change processes as appropriate to planned institutional developments, and will monitor institutions through reports, visits, and other means as it deems appropriate.

2. Some institutions will also file materials for a multi-campus review.

3. Team may require a visit to explore uncertainties in evidence that cannot be resolved at a distance

4. Certain team recommendations may require IAC action.

5. Materials for a comprehensive evaluation include an Assurance Filing (Assurance Argument and Evidence File) and Federal Compliance Filing. Some institutions will also file materials for a multi-campus review.

6. Year 10 includes HLC action regarding reaffirmation of accreditation. Action on the Year 10 review will also determine the institution's future pathway eligibility.

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- Required institutional activities
- Optional institutional activities
- HLC decision-making actions
- Peer Review activities