

## **Criterion 2: Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct**

### **Criterion 2A: Institution Operates with Integrity**

#### **PURPOSE**

This series of newsletters reviewed the Higher Learning Commission's Guiding Values for accreditation, the Criteria for Accreditation, and the Assumed Practices for all accredited institutions. These documents define the objectives and criteria that will guide the team of peer reviewers who will visit Indiana University Southeast during the 2019-20 academic year.

To see the IU Southeast Statement of Accreditation Status on the HLC webpage, please click [here](#).

#### **CRITERION 2: INTEGRITY: ETHICAL AND RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT**

The second of the five criteria requires that "The institution acts with integrity; its conduct is ethical and responsible."

To see all HLC Criteria for Accreditation and Core Components, please click [here](#).

#### **CORE COMPONENT 2A: INTEGRITY**

The first of five core components to criterion two assumes "The institution operates with integrity in its financial, academic, personnel, and auxiliary functions; it establishes and follows policies and processes for fair and ethical behavior on the part of its governing board, administration, faculty, and staff."

#### **SOURCES OF EVIDENCE**

While there are numerous sources of evidence listed directly below, please think even more broadly about the ways you see Indiana University Southeast operating "with integrity in its financial, academic, personnel, and auxiliary functions." Each of us is best able to speak to the ways that the work we do evidences a commitment to integrity and service to our students, community, and region.

Some of our current informational sources for 2A are listed below, but please do feel invited to offer more:

- [Faculty manual](#), [adjunct faculty handbook](#), IU Human Resources [policies](#) and IU Southeast Administrative Affairs [Policies & Procedures Manual](#)
- HLC [assumed practices](#)
- IU Southeast [core values](#)
- A-133 institutional audit [reports](#)
- Whistleblower [policy](#)

If you missed any previous editions, please find the complete archive [here](#)

Future newsletters will dig deeper into the core components of criterion two. These newsletters will be informative, but will also ask you—the campus community—to provide evidence in support of these criteria. If you are aware of things that you'd like to bring to their attention regarding criterion two, please feel free to send those observations and bits of data to [iusehlc@ius.edu](mailto:iusehlc@ius.edu).