

Docket Item:

Process for 2019 HECC Evaluations of Public Universities

Summary:

The HECC is required to conduct annual evaluations of public universities in Oregon. The passage of SB 54 in 2017 amended the HECC’s evaluation cycle, from occurring every year to every two years. The change will improve the effective use of staff time for data collection, analysis, report writing and the substantive quality of the evaluation reports.

Docket Material:

The public university evaluations signal areas of key interest to the HECC that support the objectives of the State of Oregon: student success as measured by degree completion; access and affordability as measured by equity across socioeconomic, racial/ethnic, and regional (urban/rural) groups; academic quality and research; financial sustainability; and continued collaboration across universities in support of the State’s mission for higher education. Additionally, they describe how Boards of Trustees have operated since their formation. The reports rely on a combination of institutional accreditation reports, self-assessments, and criteria jointly developed with the HECC. This year three universities will be evaluated: Oregon State University, Portland State University, and University of Oregon.

University Evaluation Timeline:

Date	Action
October 19, 2018	Populated templates provided to universities
November 5, 2018	Data discrepancies from templates resolved; completed templates returned to HECC
November 19, 2018	Draft reports sent to institutions for feedback
November 27, 2018	Fall 4 th week data incorporated and shared with institutions. Two page draft summaries shared with institutions
December 3, 2018	Feedback from institutions on draft summaries due to HECC
December 13, 2018	Draft summary reports submitted to Commission for review
December 17, 2018	Institutions receive full draft report
December 28, 2018	Feedback from institutions on full draft reports due to HECC
January 10, 2019	Reports submitted to Commission for adoption
January 30, 2019	Reports submitted to Legislature

Staff Recommendation:

Information for discussion and feedback