Compliments, Commendations, Concerns, and Recommendations

Compliment



- Congratulatory statement on noteworthy practice or achievement
- May not rise to the level of an institutional Commendation
- Does not need to cite ER or Standard
- Should sufficiently explain the reasoning behind it
- Documented in the narrative of a section of the report

Compliment: ABC
University's commitment to
serving students at each of
their campuses provides
broad access to a diverse
array of educational
opportunities designed to
meet the diverse needs of
students at those locations.

Commendation



- Laudatory statement agreed upon by the evaluation team as a whole
- References a noteworthy institutional practice or exceptional achievement
- Basis of which should be supported in the report
- Enumerated at the end of the peer-evaluation report

Note: Commendations do not have to be linked to the Compliments cited in the body of the peer-evaluation report.

The Evaluation Committee commends ABC University

 Its awareness of the need for sustained commitment to promoting the Indigenization and decolonization of the institution, with a focus on Indigenous student success.

Concern



- Statement intended to be advisory to institution
- Indicates that attention to the matter is warranted
- May not rise to the level of a Recommendation that needs immediate attention
- Documented in the narrative of a section of the report

Note: While a Concern may or may not rise to the level of a Recommendation, all Recommendations must be grounded in one or more Concerns cited in the body of the peer-evaluation report.

Concern: While ABC
University has fully engaged broad and inclusive planning processes, the evaluation committee did not find adequate evidence that the institution uses an ongoing and systematic evaluation process to inform and refine its planning, effectiveness and improve student learning and achievement. (Standard 1.8.1)

Recommendation



- Indicates that an institution is not in compliance with one or more accreditation criteria OR that it is substantially in compliance with one or more accreditation criteria, but in need of improvement
- Indicates the institution has been cited for one or more problems or deficiencies of a serious nature that require immediate institutional action
- Explicitly listed at the end of the peerevaluation report

The Evaluation Committee recommends that ABC University:

1. Address any student achievement equity gaps by developing and implementing appropriate programs to promote and support student learning and success. (1.D.4, 2.G.1).

