



February 25, 2026

Dr. Stacy Klippenstein
President, CEO
College of Southern Nevada
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Dear President Klippenstein:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on January 27-30, 2026, concerning the Fall 2025 Mid-Cycle Review of College of Southern Nevada.

Accreditation

Accept the Report

Status of Previous Recommendations Addressed in this Evaluation

- Recommendation 2: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Continued as Needs Improvement and revised to Recommendation 1: Fall 2025 Mid-Cycle Review
- Recommendation 3: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Continued as Needs Improvement
- Recommendation 4: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Continued as Needs Improvement

Recommendations Substantially in Compliance but in Need of Improvement

The Commission recommends that College of Southern Nevada:

- Recommendation 1: Fall 2025 Mid-Cycle Review - Continue to develop an ongoing and systematic evaluation, planning, and resource allocation process for academic advising to support continued student development and success. (2020 Standard(s) 1.B.1; 2.G.6)
- Recommendation 3: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Identify a meaningful way to systematically assess institutional student learning outcomes and use the results to continuously improve student learning. (2020 Standard(s) 1.C.6)
- Recommendation 4: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Establish an inclusive process to develop policy-making processes and procedures and a shared governance model that demonstrates institutional decisions being made in a timely manner. (2020 Standard(s) 2.A.1;1.B.3)

Future Evaluations

- Ad Hoc Report with Visit Fall 2026 to review Prison Education Program
- Year 6 - Standard 2 - Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review Fall 2028
- Year 7 - Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness Fall 2029
 - Recommendation 1: Fall 2025 Mid-Cycle Review
 - Recommendation 3: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness
 - Recommendation 4: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness

NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact your staff liaison, Dr. Ed Harri, at eharri@nwccu.org.

Sincerely,

Dr. Selena M. Grace
President

cc: Dr. Shari Peterson, Director, Institutional Effectiveness, Accreditation, and Strategic Planning
Mr. Byron Brooks, Chair, Board of Regents
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Mr. Matt McNair, Chancellor, Nevada System of Higher Education