Colleagues,

As we move toward the upcoming HLC re-accreditation visit in November I encourage you each to read the LSSU Assurance Argument - an evidence driven narrative addressing how the institution meets each of the five <u>Criteria for Accreditation</u>.

Please feel at liberty to make suggestions and provide any feedback that you feel would help us present the strongest possible case to the HLC. Send comments directly to David Myton (<u>dmyton@lssu.edu</u>).

The Assurance Argument is an online document with live links to the evidence files, accessible at: <u>https://assurance.hlcommission.org/</u>

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In conjunction with reviewing the current Assurance Argument, it would also be beneficial to review the findings of the 2011 HLC re-affirmation visit, which is one of the many documents on our accreditation website: http://www.lssu.edu/HLC

Specifically, the Peer Reviewer's summary from 2011 is available at this link: <u>http://www.lssu.edu/hlc/documents/Assurance_LSSU_112811a.pdf</u>

In response to the 2011 review, LSSU subsequently submitted four monitoring reports, the HLC reviewed these and issued a summary which noted remarkable progress: <u>http://www.lssu.edu/hlc/documents/LakeSuperiorStateUniversityMR2013.pdf</u>

Please take time to become familiar with these documents in preparation for meetings with the HLC peerreview team who will be on campus November 7-8, 2016.