

Action Line

Posting our AQIP commitment on the web

The screenshot shows the Delta College website's AQIP homepage. At the top, the Delta College logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'Apply Online', 'Jobs @ Delta', 'A-Z Index', 'People Finder', 'My Delta', and 'Contact Us' are on the right. Below the logo is the text 'Serving Mid-Michigan Since 1961'. A search bar with 'Quicklinks' and 'Search...' is also present. A main navigation bar includes 'Search for Classes', 'View our Programs', 'Admissions & Enrollment', 'Financial Information', and 'Personalized Profile'. The page title is 'Academic Quality Improvement Program'. On the right side, there is a 'Ask Us Online' button with a question mark icon. The main content area features a central image of graduates in caps and gowns. To the left of the image is a vertical menu with categories like 'About Delta' and 'Facilities and Services'. To the right is a list of AQIP program links. Below the image, a welcome message and two paragraphs of text describe the program's commitment and its implementation since 2006.

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Welcome to Delta College's AQIP homepage.

This site represents our commitment to the Academic Quality Improvement Program as an ongoing process to advance the quality of higher education at Delta College.

Since 2006, employees on Delta's nine AQIP committees have worked with members of the college's AQIP Steering Committee to implement and review improvement activities and share the results with the college community.

As we develop and review our structures and systems, and align them with our strategic plan, we submit our progress as evidence of our intentions to meet the accreditation standards set by the Higher Learning Commission.



Delta has launched its AQIP website with links to AQIP action projects, meeting updates and required documents. Visit the website at:
<http://www.delta.edu/community/academicqualityimprovementprogram.aspx>

The Flip Side

Test your AQIP Aptitude

It's midterm time

True or False?

- ___ 1. Delta 101 is the most popular Leading and Learning Together class in the three-step program run by the Center for Organizational Success (COS).
- ___ 2. EverGreen is a break-even program funded through cost-avoidance rather than profits.
- ___ 3. According to Don Halog, "We have been benchmarking the wrong things. Instead of copying what others do, we ought to copy what they think."
- ___ 4. The AQIP program is a culture change that requires ongoing assessment of college programs and processes
- ___ 5. Renovating the Allied Health Building is an AQIP Action project.
- ___ 6. Dave Bailey leads the AQIP Committee devoted to Helping Students Earn.
- ___ 7. Students will take the Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE) this semester so results can be compared to the 2007 survey.
- ___ 8. In the 2007 CCSSE survey, students scored themselves highest in the category of effort.
- ___ 9. Delta has shed its plain vanilla image according to the CLARUS survey of 770 local residents.
- ___ 10. Mary Beth Looby is Delta's Director of Developmental Education.

Answers: All are true except 5, 6 and 8. The Allied Health Building is not an Action Project (we wish); Dave Bailey's committee is to Help Students Learn; In the CCSSE survey, students scored themselves highest in student-faculty interaction.

How did you do?

- 8-10 correct**—You should be chairing an AQIP committee
4-7 correct—Consider yourself average
0-3 correct—Are you reading the AQIP newsletter?????

Here's one from the Gipper or in this case Don Halog, the "A" Quipper —

When people go to work, they don't leave their hearts at home.

Q & A



DR. JEAN GOODNOW
Delta College President

How did AQIP get started at Delta?

What is your background/experience with the AQIP process?

Dr. Goodnow: *I was a Consultant Evaluator for the Higher Learning Commission for many years. I worked with teams to make visits to community colleges that were undergoing reaccreditation.*

Through attendance at the annual Higher Learning Commission, I learned about AQIP as a new way of undergoing accreditation. At the last college where I served, we made the decision to become an AQIP college. It was a very positive experience.

Did you make the decision for Delta to join AQIP?

Dr. Goodnow: *Yes.*

Why?

Dr. Goodnow: *The concept of looking at our college every year instead of every 10 years is very healthy. I believe the continuous quality improvement approach is one that engages our staff across the College to better serve our students and community.*

What's the immediate goal of AQIP at Delta?

Dr. Goodnow: *At this time we are deciding on the next action projects that we want to address. All of the groups are working on parts of the portfolio that we will submit.*

What's the long-range payoff?

Dr. Goodnow: *I believe the long-range payoff is engaging our entire staff and faculty. It means going from a good college to a great college by constantly striving to improve our learning environment. The benefit of being able to share with other members of community colleges who also are on this journey enhances our experience and makes us a stronger college.*

What's the biggest challenge of being in the program?

Dr. Goodnow: *Keeping everyone informed and involved.*

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