Commendations and Recommendations
Year Three Evaluation
Spring 2013

Commendations
1. The evaluators commend the College for developing a clear, consistent, and systematic approach to program design and review that actively and regularly engages faculty members, departments, deans, library staff, administration, and appropriate oversight committees.

2. The evaluators commend the Institution's board, administration, faculty and staff for their financial management and planning. The delayed use of excess enrollment funds, [along with the] the expansion of the Corporate and Continuing Education Center, international programs, and grant funds evidence the institution's commitment to fiscal stewardship and creativity during a multi-year period of reduced state resources.

Recommendations
1. The College is engaging faculty in the assessment of student learning, and the use of assessment results to guide the improvement of teaching and learning at EvCC. The evaluators did not find evidence of a systematic process that requires all learning outcomes to be assessed regularly. The evaluators recommend that the college develop a systematic assessment process that ensures all student learning outcomes (course, program, and degree) are assessed on a regular, consistent basis. (2.C.5, 2.C.10, 4.A.3)

2. The evaluators recommend that the College improve the consistency, measurability, and analysis used to assess the attainment and progress toward stated program outcomes. (1.A.2, 2.C.5, 2.C.10)

3. The evaluators recommend that the College review its policies for applying prior experiential learning credit to degrees and certificates to ensure no more than 25% of a degree’s required credits are attained through this process. (2.C.7)

4. The evaluation committee recommends that for each year of operation, the College undergo an external financial audit and that the results from such audits, including findings and management letter recommendations, be considered in a timely, appropriate and comprehensive manner by the Board of Trustees (Eligibility Requirement 19 and Standard 2.F.7).