

<b>Title</b>	Evaluation of Programs and Educational Services
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### Section 1: Overview

- (1.1) The College's mission is to provide accessible undergraduate education opportunities that meet the needs of a diverse community by offering a variety of programs and services focused on university, career, and continuing studies at an undergraduate level.
- (1.2) The College is committed to systematic and timely evaluation of Academic Programs and Educational Services to support its goal of delivering exceptional, market-relevant programming to its students.
- (1.3) The Act requires that the Board seeks advice from the Education Council on the development of educational policy for the evaluation of programs and educational services.
- (1.4) The College was granted Education Quality Assurance (EQA) designation by the Ministry of Advanced Education in 2009.

### Section 2: Purpose

- (2.1) This Policy provides guidance regarding the Board's expectations of:
  - (a) systematic and timely evaluation of Academic Programs and Educational Services; and
  - (b) meeting the requirements for maintaining provincial EQA designation.

### Section 3: Definitions

- (3.1) In this Policy:
  - "Academic Program"** means a program that is subject to the approval of the Education Council and that lead to a credential or prepares students for further work towards achieving a credential.
  - "Act"** means the British Columbia *College and Institute Act*.
  - "Board"** means the Langara College Board of Governors.
  - "College"** means Langara College.
  - "Education Council"** means the Langara College Education Council.
  - "Education Services"** means services that directly support academic delivery.
  - "EQA or Education Quality Assurance"** means the designation granted annually by the British Columbia Ministry of Advanced Education to post-secondary institutions who meet or exceed quality assurance standards established by the province of British Columbia.



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#### **Section 4: Evaluation of Academic Programs**

- (4.1) The Education Council establishes policies related to Academic Program review and renewal in accordance with the Act.

#### **Section 5: Evaluation of Educational Services**

- (5.1) The College strives for excellence in Education Services to support student success. These shall be reported on an annual basis through:
- (a) the Institutional Accountability Plan and Reports prepared for the British Columbia Ministry of Advanced Education; and
  - (b) an update on the College's performance in relation to the targets identified in the Strategic Plan.

#### **Section 6: Education Quality Assurance**

- (6.1) The Board shall ensure the College meets the requirements established by the Ministry of Advanced Education to maintain EQA designation.

#### **Section 7: Review Date**

- (7.1) A review of this Policy should be completed no later than every five years.

