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WSCUC Continues NDNU's Accreditation with Warning

In April 2023, NDNU hosted a Special Visit by a Visiting Team from the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) – NDNU's accreditor. This visit was a follow up on issues identified in the previous WSCUC Special Visit in October 2021. NDNU is pleased by the progress that we made between the visits and the recognition of that progress by the Visiting Team.

In their report, the WSCUC Visiting Team from the April 2023 Special Visit noted that, in the time since the October 2021 Special Visit, NDNU has made improvements in operational integrity, support for student academic success, capacity to develop and deliver online programs, improved use of data for marketing, and shared governance. However, the Commission did not find that NDNU had made enough progress to address some other compliance issues. Therefore, they decided not to change NDNU's accreditation status – NDNU remains accredited with Warning. The Commission acted to schedule another Special Visit for Fall 2023, at which time NDNU will have the opportunity to demonstrate further progress.

The Cabinet and campus leadership continue to take actions to close the remaining compliance gaps identified in this WSCUC report. We believe that we are in a good position to address those gaps moving forward so that the Commission can remove the Warning following the Fall 2023 Special Visit. Such Commission action would likely happen at their February 2024 meeting.

The WSCUC Special Visit Report and the Commission Action Letter are posted on the [Accreditation page](#) on our website, per WSCUC regulations.