

Middle States Review

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE 2018

Student Success

Social Justice

Almost Final Draft: **September 2017**
Self-Study Findings Collegewide Briefings: **September 11-20, 2017**
Middle States Team Chair Visit: **October 16, 2017**
Self-Study Report to Board of Trustees: **November 2017**
Self-Study Board of Trustees Action: **December 11, 2017**
Self-Study Report Submission to MSCHE: **January 2018**
MSCHE Team Visit to College: **March 18-21, 2018**
MSCHE Action: **June 2018**

Innovation

For More Information on Montgomery College Self-Study:
www.montgomerycollege.edu/middlestates18

Accountability

Welcome Back to the Fall Semester

Where did the summer go? **Was** there a summer this year? Your Middle States team has been hard at work researching, writing, and editing and we're coming down to the home stretch. Draft 4.4 of the Self-Study document is available online and briefing sessions begin collegewide on September 11 to review the contents with the College community. But more on that later.

MSCHE has selected our Evaluation Team Chair, Dr. Margaret M. McMenamín, President of Union County College in New Jersey. Dr. McMenamín is Vice Chair of the Middle States Commission Executive Committee, and Union County College was one of the pilot institutions to complete a self-study under the new MSCHE standards. She will make her initial visit to Montgomery College on **October 16**, which will include a tour of the three campuses and meetings with various College groups. The full Evaluation Team visit is **March 18 – 21, 2018**, the week after the College's spring break. (Warm thoughts for no snow that week.)

In other MSCHE fall semester activities, the final Compliance Report will be presented to the Board of Trustees in October for action at their November meeting. The final Self-Study Report will be presented at the November Board meeting, with action expected at the December meeting. We will send the final, approved Self-Study Report to MSCHE in January 2018. Then it's time to prepare for the visit!

Middle States 2018 Self-Study Chair TEaM

Tammy, Eric, and Melissa

Self-Study Briefing Sessions

We are pleased to share the latest draft of our Middle States Self-Study Report. This draft includes our executive summary, preface, introductory overview, and conclusion. We look forward to sharing the work of the team with you this month in a series of collegewide briefing sessions. It will be helpful if you review the draft prior to attending a briefing session. The link to the Self-Study report and information to register for the briefing sessions is on our web page at www.montgomerycollege.edu/middlestates18.



Middle States Self-Study Briefing Sessions
Fall 2017

During this series of 90 minute briefings, the Middle States Self-Study steering committee will provide the College community with an overview of the content of the Self-Study. A chapter by chapter summary of all standards will be shared at each session, with an emphasis on proposed suggestions and recommendations. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions throughout the session and will be able to provide brief feedback on the draft's accuracy. An executive overview along with a full draft of the report will be posted to the Middle States 2018 website: www.middlestatescollege.edu/middlestates18 for participants to review in advance of the sessions. These sessions are open to staff, faculty, administrators, and students.

To register, please go to MCLearn, select "schedule of classes & events," then select "pedagogy & instruction," then search for "Middle States."

Additional comments can be sent to the Middle States Team Mailbox: MiddleStates18@montgomerycollege.edu

For disability-related accommodations, please contact Raquel Bural at (240) 567-5349 or raquel.bural@montgomerycollege.edu at least 2 or more weeks prior to the listening tour(s) attending, in order to allow sufficient time to make necessary arrangements.

Spring 2017 Middle States Listening Tour Schedule (chronological)

Day	Date	Time	Room	Location
Monday	September 11	12:30-2pm	SC152	Rockville
Tuesday	September 12	12:30-2pm	CI1108	Central Services
Wednesday	September 13	1:30-3pm	GAFC 442	Collemburg Business Training Center
Thursday	September 14	2:30-4pm	88160	Germanstown
Monday	September 18	1:25-3pm	HC124	Towson Park Silver Spring
Thursday	September 19	2:30-3pm	SC489	Rockville

This version of the document does not include all of the links to evidence at this time. Workgroup members are busy entering data and evidence into TK20 – the software we are using to share the full draft and all supporting documents with the review committee. They are close to completing this process, but we wanted to get a draft out for review by the College community as soon as possible. If you have questions about a particular piece of evidence, send an email to Middlestates18@montgomerycollege.edu.

There will not be many changes to this document before it goes to our Self-Study Team Chair, Dr. McMenamain, to review prior to her visit on October 16. This draft has been through one full edit and will go through one more edit before it is finalized. The introductory overview highlights several key items that are briefly mentioned across multiple chapters. Included among these items are collegewide division restructuring, the redesigns of General Studies and General Education, and the Achieving the Dream initiative.

Our workgroup chairs and members have completed a significant amount of work in order to arrive at this almost-final draft. We appreciate this opportunity to share our work, and we look forward to seeing you at a briefing session. If you would like to share comments via email, please contact us at Middlestates18@montgomerycollege.edu.



Preparing the College for the Site Visit

Our MSCHE Evaluation Team site visit is March 18 – 21, 2018. Team members will visit all three campuses and perhaps some of our off-campus locations. While we will know in advance some of the individuals and groups they want to meet with during the visit, the team can request additional meetings once they are here. You will hear more details about the visit in the spring. Dr. Michelle Scott, Deputy Chief of Staff and Strategy and

our College MSCHE liaison, and Ms. Raquel Bunai are working on arrangements for the team visit.

What can you do to prepare for the visit?

- Encourage staff, faculty, students, and colleagues to attend the Middle States Briefing sessions this fall between 9/11 and 9/20 or download the materials from the website: www.Montgomerycollege.edu/middlestates18.
- Be sure to have copies of the mission/vision in your area
- Ensure that faculty, staff, students and colleagues can articulate how their roles contribute to the mission/vision of the College
- Provide examples of how the work your areas are doing aligns with Montgomery College 2020 as well as the Self-Study themes of social justice and innovation