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Albany Technical College Reaffirmed for Accreditation by SACS/COC

Albany Technical College's accreditation has been reaffirmed by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Commission on Colleges (COC) for the next 10 years.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges is the regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the Southern states. The Commission's mission is the enhancement of educational quality throughout the region and it strives to improve the effectiveness of institutions by ensuring that institutions meet standards established by the higher education community that address the needs of society and students.

The SACS/COC committee visited Albany Tech last fall to ascertain that the College was in compliance with the core requirements and comprehensive standards prior to reaffirmation. Part of the initiative for this period was the implementation of a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), which was a first for Albany Tech. A QEP committee was formed well in advance of the SACS/COC visit, which resulted in the "DREAMS" theme development. The QEP committee developed DREAMS (Develop Reading Excellence And Maximize Success) in an effort to focus on the importance of reading in student success.

As part of the QEP DREAMS initiative, the Albany Tech Academic Achievement Center was formed on campus to provide an outlet for those students needing help, not just in reading, but in other academic subjects as well. The Center even offers sessions on effective note taking, study skills, and more.

Reaffirmation is an indication of the college's commitment to highest levels of learning and to excellence and continuous improvements in teaching.

For more information about SACS/COC, visit www.sacscoc.org.

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