

# **Reaffirmation of Accreditation**

Lincoln University is regionally accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. Middle States Accreditation is an expression of confidence in the Institution's mission, goals, performance, and resources. This year, Lincoln University completed a self-study as part of our reaffirmation of accreditation.

### MIDDLE STATES SELF-STUDY TEAM VISIT: MARCH 17-20, 2019

## **DEFINING ACCREDITATION**

Accreditation is the recognition that an institution maintains standards requisite for its graduates to gain admission to other reputable institutions of higher learning or to achieve credentials for professional practice.

## **PURPOSE OF ACCREDITATION**

The goal of accreditation is to ensure that education provided by institutions of higher education meets acceptable levels of quality.

### **SELF STUDY**

A self-study requires an institution to engage in an in-depth, comprehensive, and reflective assessment process to identify institutional priorities as well as opportunities for improvement and innovation.

### **SEVEN STANDARDS**

The Commission employs seven standards or characteristics of excellence in the accreditation process. Accreditation institutions are expected to demonstrate these standards in substantial measure. The standards include:

- 1. Mission and Goals
- 2. Ethics and Integrity
- 3. Design and Delivery of the Student Learning Experience
- 4. Support of the Student Experience
- 5. Educational Effectiveness Assessment
- 6. Planning, Resources, and Institutional Improvement
- 7. Governance, Leadership, and Administration

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MISSION: Lincoln University, the nation's first degree-granting Historically Black College and University (HBCU), educates and empowers students to lead their communities and change the world. LEARN MORE AT www.lincoln.edu/mission.

