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Abstract

The SACS Institutional Self-Study Records contain documents related to James Madison University's accreditation process, administered by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, from 1961-1992.

Creator

Madison College

Creator

James Madison University

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Acquisition Information

Self-Study Reports from 1961 and 1981 were present in the cage at the time of founding.

Processing Information

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Administrative History

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), now the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and School Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), is a regional accreditation agency for degree-granting higher education institutions. JMU was issued its first "institutional report card" by SACS in 1927, and continues to require SACSCOC accreditation in order to award baccalaureate, masters and doctorate degrees. SACSCOC requires that academic institutions renew or reaffirm their accreditation every ten years. As part of the reaffirmation process, JMU undertakes a comprehensive self-study that demonstrates that the university is in compliance with the SACSCOC criteria for accreditation, evaluates all aspects of the university, and recommends a future course of action. The university submits a "Fifth Year Interim Report" in between self-study reports.

Scope and Content

The SACS Institutional Self-Study Records contain documents related to the accreditation process administered by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, from 1961-1992. Topics of the self-study evaluation include educational programs, faculty and educational support services, administrative processes, financial resources, and institutional policies, among other topics.

The majority of the reports were prepared for the 1961 Self-Study, submitted during the tenure of President G. Tyler Miller. The 1961 departmental and committee reports cover topics such as university and departmental objectives, faculty and staff listings, details of the facilities and departmental resources, course

offerings, and program evaluations. These reports form the basis of the final report, the "Summary Report of the Self-Evaluation Study, 1961" (1:1), submitted to the SACS evaluating body. The collection also contains SACS manuals and responses to recommendations made to by the SACS reaffirmation committee.

Separated Materials

In 2018, five Affirmative Action reports were transferred to UA 0005, Office of Affirmative Action Records, 1977-1988, and four Academic Program Review documents were transferred to UA 0002, Academic Affairs: Academic Program Reviews (APR), 1976-present (bulk 1992-present).

Related Materials

The finalized SACS Institutional Self-Study Reports from 1961 – 2002 are bound and available in Special Collections.

Keywords

Administrative reports
Handbooks and manuals
Questionnaires
Education, Higher -- Evaluation
Education, Higher -- United States -- Planning
Universities and colleges -- Evaluation
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Madison College
James Madison University

Bibliography

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<http://www.jmu.edu/sacscoc/>. (Accessed May 7, 2018). "Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and School Commission on Colleges." <http://www.sacscoc.org/>. (Accessed May 7, 2018).

Arrangement

Collection is arranged chronologically and alphabetically.

Description of Subordinate Components

Summary Report of the Self-Evaluation Study

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Unit Date 1961

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Committee Report: Educational Program of Madison College

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Committee Report: Organization

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Committee Report: Purposes

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Committee Report: Special Activities

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Department Report: Art

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Department Report: Chemistry

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Department Report: Education and Psychology

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Department Report: Graduate Program

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Department Report: Social Science and History

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Southern Association of Colleges Self-Evaluation Manual

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SACS Institutional Self-Study Manual

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College and Departmental Summaries

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Unit Date 1991

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SACS: Report of the Reaffirmation Committee

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/6885

Unit Date 1992

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Responses to the Recommendation of the SACS Reaffirmation Committee

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/6886

Unit Date 1992

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