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(December 22, 2010) Armstrong Atlantic State University will develop a quality enhancement plan (QEP) to enhance student learning, as part the reaccreditation process required by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. The university will undergo a reaccreditation process culminating in 2013.

Armstrong President Linda M. Bleicken has appointed a quality enhancement plan steering committee. The committee, chaired by Nancy Remler, associate professor of English and director of English education, is charged with creating a process by which QEP proposals are solicited from Armstrong faculty and staff and recommended to President Bleicken.

Armstrong alumni, students, faculty and staff, as well as members of the community interested in student learning, are invited to contribute to the development of a QEP. Only faculty and staff will be allowed to submit proposals, but students, alumni, community members, or others, can work with an Armstrong faculty or staff member to submit a QEP proposal. The committee will select up to three proposals to submit to President Bleicken.

A QEP [Web site](#) has been established to help constituents learn about the quality enhancement plan. Good QEP ideas should be based on research on institutional effectiveness or external research relevant to Armstrong mission.

Quality enhancement plans address student learning by either focusing on student-learning outcomes or student learning environments. QEP proposals should address a specific student learning need for Armstrong, but the plan should impact as many students as possible. Other important qualities of a good QEP are giving all Armstrong constituents a chance to have input on its development, ensuring Armstrong's capacity to properly implement the QEP, and measuring the student-learning enhancement expected from the QEP.

The QEP steering committee will host a forum on January 21 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in University Hall 156 to discuss the QEP and the proposal process.

Members of the committee are Nancy Remler (chair), [languages, literature and philosophy](#); Dr. John Kraft, [academic affairs](#); Andy Clark, enrollment management; Mario Incorvaia, [art, music & theatre](#); Robert LeFavi, [health sciences](#); and Marilyn O'Mallon, [nursing](#).



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