

SACSCOC was recently asked to collaborate on an article regarding efforts to build support for oral communication proficiency. Thanks to the amazing work of faculty and staff, Grambling State University's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) has been highlighted as an illustration of strategies to support students' development of oral communication skills.

Sharkira Hardison, QEP Director stated, "The goal of Grambling State University's Quality Enhancement Plan seeks to impact the student learning process and propensity for success, through critical focus on oral communication skill development and reduction of associated anxiety. This opportunity to foster student learning, by producing competent and effective communicators, will positively impact student success across the academic spectrum. It is incredibly gratifying to see our efforts and vision highlighted by SACSCOC and higher education leaders, as essential in meeting the critical needs of our future graduates"

The attached article, that SACSCOC served as a collaborator, includes a link to our QEP executive summary (https://www.gram.edu/offices/academic-affairs/qep/) that is posted on our website. The results of our QEP may well serve as a model for other institutions interested in achieving similar student learning outcomes.

Congratulations to the QEP Development Team: Shakira Hardison, Angela Hines, Tasha Heard, Marjoree Newman, and Larry Green for preparing a well thought out proposal. Thanks to the Implementation Team: Milton Jackson, Courtnie Owens, Cathy Douglas, Latotsha Britt, Altha Madison, Kyle Zimmerman, and adjunct FYE faculty for the work being done to integrate this important skill development into the curriculum!