

### ON THE CALENDAR

## Accrediting Committee to meet March 21-22 in Chicago

The Accrediting Committee will meet Saturday, March 21, and Sunday, March 22, at The Westin, 909 N. Michigan Ave., in Chicago.

Twenty-eight schools will be reviewed. Three of these programs had both undergraduate and graduate programs for review. Five schools are seeking initial accreditation. There also is one revisit.

Because of the number of schools to be discussed, the Committee will meet all

day Saturday and a half day Sunday.

Details about the meeting room and start time, as well as hotel information, will be sent in January to Committee members, administrators of schools reviewed and administrators of schools working on their self-studies.

This is an open meeting.

Contact Susanne Shaw, ACEJMC executive director, at 785-864-3986 or sshaw@ku.edu, with your questions.

## Accrediting Council to meet May 1-2 in Phoenix

The Accrediting Council will meet Friday, May 1, and Saturday, May 2, at The Westin Phoenix Downtown Hotel, 33 N. Central Ave., in Phoenix.

On Friday, May 1, the Council will make accreditation decisions for 28 schools and one revisit. On Saturday, May 2, the Council will conduct a business meeting.

Details about the meeting room and start time, as well as information on hotel reservations, will be sent in March.

The accreditation deliberations and the business meeting are open.

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## Accreditation workshop, Sept. 3; Council meeting, Sept. 4

The Accrediting Council will offer a one-day workshop to assist administrators with the accreditation review process. The workshop will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at The Westin, 909 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

The workshop is intended for school administrators and assistants who will have their site visit in the next two years. The workshop is open to any accredited program or programs working toward initial

accreditation or reaccreditation.

The Accrediting Council will have its fall meeting on Friday, Sept. 4.

More information about the workshop and reservations will be sent in early June. Details for the Council meeting will be sent next summer.

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**MEMBERSHIP DUES REMINDER:** Oct. 15 was the deadline for all accredited program and member association dues. Contact Cheryl Klug at cklug@ku.edu with questions.

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## Andrews to chair Appeals Board

**Caesar Andrews** was appointed chair of the Appeals Board by David Boardman, Accrediting Council president. Andrews is the Leonard Family Distinguished Professor of Ethics and Writing at the Donald W. Reynolds School of Journalism, University of Nevada, Reno, and a former senior editor at several Gannett newspapers.

Other Appeals Board members are: **Barbara Cochran** and **Brian Sheehan**. Cochran is the Curtis B. Hurley Chair of Public Service Journalism at the University of Missouri and former president of Radio Television News Directors. Sheehan is an associate professor at S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University. He is a former CEO for Saatchi & Saatchi.

## Member and Program Updates

The **Greenlee School of Journalism and Communication** at Iowa State University was selected for the **2014 Equity and Diversity Award** by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. Elizabeth L. Toth, AEJMC president, will present the award Thursday, April 9, at Iowa State.

**John Paluszek**, senior counsel at Ketchum and a member of the Accrediting Committee, is co-editor of the recently published text, "Public Relations Case Studies From Around the World."

**Kathleen Richardson** was named dean of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at **Drake University**.

Richardson succeeds **Charles Edwards**, who retired in May 2014.

The board of regents for the **University of Colorado Boulder** recently approved the creation of the **College of Media, Communication and Information** and 12 new CU-Boulder College of Media, Communication and Information degrees. Classes will be offered by the new college beginning fall 2015.

**Yahya Kamalipour** is the new chair of the Department of Journalism and **Mass Communication at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University**. He succeeds **Gail Wiggins**, who had served as interim chair.

### ACCREDITATION TIMELINE

For schools working on their self-study:  
**NOVEMBER**  
-- Submit CEO's letter of invitation to ACEJMC executive director.  
-- Return Enrollment and Credit Hour Information and preferred visit dates to ACEJMC office.

**DECEMBER**  
-- Receive from the ACEJMC office the date of your 2014-2015 site visit and due date for self-study.  
-- Schedule exit interview with CEO and team in the morning on the last day of visit.

### ACCREDITATION RESOURCES

The Accrediting Council has available on its [website](#) three resources to assist programs with the accreditation process.

- **ACEJMC Guide to Assessment** explains ACEJMC's expectations of an assessment plan and offers suggestions for assessing student learning.
- **Preparation for Accreditation** suggests actions a program should undertake in the years before the self-study, including the collection of data and

record keeping, and the involvement of faculty and students in the accreditation process.

- **Mission and Plans** provides information on writing a mission statement and developing a diversity plan, long-range strategic plan and an assessment plan. Examples of good self-studies also are available on the website.
- For more information, contact the ACEJMC office at 785-864-3973.



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