

Open Forum on Criterion 5
HLC Preparation - Nov. 2, 2020

ATU MISSION STATEMENT

Arkansas Tech University is dedicated to **student success, access, and excellence** as a **responsive campus community** providing opportunities for **progressive intellectual development and civic engagement**. Embracing and expanding upon its **technological traditions**, Tech inspires and empowers members of the community to achieve their goals while striving for the betterment of Arkansas, the nation, and the world.

General

- What do you know about accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission?
- Have you read ATU's Assurance Argument?
- What distinguishes ATU from neighboring institutions?
- What are ATU's greatest strengths?
- What are the biggest challenges facing ATU?
- What is it like to work at ATU? How is morale on campus?
- Do you believe academics are the top priority at ATU? Why or why not?
- Describe any campus processes that could be improved or made more efficient.
- What kind of changes are taking place at ATU? Do you see these as positive or not?

Criterion 5: The institution's resources, structures, and processes are sufficient to fulfill its mission, improve the quality of its educational offerings, and respond to future challenges and opportunities.

- How successful has the affiliation between the two campuses been?
- What challenges do you believe ATU will need to deal with in the next 10 years?
- Do you understand the annual budget development? Where do you get to provide input?
- Are capital improvements (facilities, technology, equipment) based on strategic needs of the institution?
- What are the different streams of revenue utilized by ATU University/ to fund the institution?
- Do you believe the ATU Board of Trustees is aware of important initiatives being undertaken on the ATU campus?
- What is the role of the Faculty Senate? The Staff Senate?
- What kind of student representation and involvement occurs in these planning processes?
- How are assessment results taken into consideration during the budget decision making process?
- How has your department created/modified processes to increase institutional effectiveness?
- How are program review recommendations taken into consideration during the budget decision making process?

- How are strategic planning goals taken into consideration during the budget decision making process?
- Aside from the University Strategic Plan, what type of planning takes place across the institution and how is it integrated into day-to-day operation?
- How are staff given the opportunity to provide input into important initiatives?