# NAACLS Self-Study Template

**For Self-Studies Due: October 1, 2025**
**Published: January 16, 2025**

Dear Program Director,

Welcome to the NAACLS Self-Study Template. This document is designed to guide you through the process of demonstrating compliance with NAACLS Standards. Please read the following instructions carefully before proceeding:

### 1. Adobe Acrobat Required:

This template must be opened in Adobe Acrobat. Most computers' default setting is to open PDFs in a web browser. PDFs opened in a web browser will not have the functionality to complete the Self-Study Template.

To ensure you're using Adobe Acrobat:
- Right-click on the file.
- Select "Open with" from the menu.
- Choose "Adobe Acrobat" from the list of programs.

If Adobe Acrobat is not installed, download Adobe Acrobat Reader DC for free.

### 2. Required Information:

Please download the appropriate NAACLS Standards and Standards Compliance Guide available before starting.

Please note, unlike the self-study for the 2012 Standards, the areas to attach/pin documentation are gray. The narrative boxes remain blue.

Please be mindful of how you label documents. Additional detail can go a long way in assisting our volunteer self-study reviewer. For example, instead of "Affiliate1.docx," consider "StandardIBG_MercyHospitalNorthWestAgreement.docx." These extra details save our volunteers a lot of time as they double-check and cross-reference documentation.

Please pin all required documents in the gray boxes provided. For standards with multiple documents, do not "stack" attachments on top of each other. This can hide documentation and lead to concerns within a Self-Study Review.

### 3. Attaching Documents:

To add attachments to Adobe Acrobat Reader, please see the following steps:
- Open the Self-Study Template in Adobe Acrobat Reader.
- Locate the floating vertical toolbar to the left of the program.
  - You will see the following icon buttons on the toolbar: arrow, comment bubble, highlighter, lasso, and fountain pen.
- Locate the comment bubble button and click the black arrow in the bottom right corner of the button.
- You will see multiple options to replace the comment bubble in the toolbar.
- Select the comment bubble with a paper clip.
- Press the paper clip button to use your cursor to place attachments.
- Make sure attachments are not stacked on top of each other.
- You may move attachments by selecting the arrow button.

*On-demand demonstration*: Every month, NAACLS has interactive virtual sessions called Dr. NAACLS that are available for free. Recently, NAACLS hosted a Dr. NAACLS session that featured a demonstration on downloading, saving, and opening the Self-Study Template. Additionally, there was a demonstration of how to attach files to a PDF. The instructions in that video will be beneficial to you for working with this template. If you need additional guidance, we recommend watching that video.

4. **Glossary of Terms:**

Refer to the glossary in the NAACLS Standards Compliance Guide for commonly used NAACLS terminology.

5. **Support Available:**

- For standard compliance questions, contact a discipline lead person (DLP).
- For other questions, contact NAACLS staff.

Your dedication to maintaining high standards in laboratory science education is appreciated. Let's begin with the Self-Study Template.

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**Program Sponsor:**

**Program Type:**

BMS ☐  CG ☐  DCLS ☐  DMS ☐  HT ☐  HTL ☐  MLA ☐

MLM ☐  MLS ☐  MLT ☐  Path A ☐  PHM ☐  PBT ☐

**Program Location (City, State):**

**Program Director Name/Credentials:**

**Program Director Phone:**

**Program Director Email:**

**Medical Director Name:** *(if applicable)*

# Standard I: Sponsorship

## Standard I.A: Sponsoring Institution

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard I.A.1-5:** Briefly describe the organization of your program:

Include a brief history of the program and any specific information that will aid reviewers in understanding the program and/or institution.

Certificate or degree awarded:

If the sponsor is in a partnership with other providers of professional phase content, describe the relationship of each member of the partnership. Include specific roles and responsibilities of the partners, how those roles and responsibilities affect the faculty and the education of the students.

## Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:

Please attach the following documentation:

Award letters and/or certificates demonstrating proof of sponsor accreditation/licensing, or state recognition.

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

Completed Sponsoring Institution Fact Sheet (found on NAACLS website).

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Most recent NAACLS accreditation award.

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## Standard I.B: Responsibilities of the Sponsor and/or Program Partner

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard I.B.1.a-c:** Describe how the sponsor ensures compliance with all requirements of these standards.

**Standard I.B.1.d:** Describe the line of authority of the program, including the administrative/organizational structure. For programs in partnerships, highlight specific individuals with responsibilities to the students and what those responsibilities entail.

**Standard I.B.2.a-e:** Describe how the sponsor and/or program partner ensures compliance with all requirements of these standards.

**Standard I.B.2.f:** Describe how activities assigned to students in the applied learning experiences setting are educational. For BMS programs only, describe how practical learning experiences (or activities) assigned to students in the professional setting are educational.

**Standard I.B.3:** Describe the exchange of information between the sponsor and/or program partner and its active affiliates. Active affiliates are defined as affiliates with current affiliation agreements that have accommodated students within the past five years.

**Standard I.B.4:** Describe how the sponsor and/or the program partner provides eligible students with the opportunity to participate in applied learning experiences. For BMS programs only, describe how the sponsor provides eligible students the opportunity to participate in appropriate learning experiences for the field of practice.

**Standard I.B.5:** For each affiliate, explain the following:

a) The relationship between the sponsor/program partner and affiliate.

b) The roles of the sponsor and that entity.

c) The responsibilities of the sponsor and that entity.

## Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:

**Standard I.B.1:** For programs with partnerships, please provide the sponsorship matrix.

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**Standard I.B.1.d:** Provide an organizational chart for the sponsor. For programs in a partnership, provide one chart identifying members of the line of authority between all participants of the partnership.

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**Standard I.B.2.f and I.B.3-5:** Attach items for affiliate information in gray areas in the following table. See the Standards Compliance Guide for specific requirements.

Please clearly indicate when multiple agencies are covered under one affiliation/partnership agreement, or policy. To ensure no errors when reviewing documents, please be consistent and complete when using names of affiliates/partners on documents submitted.

For additional pages, please click here.

| Affiliate (Name, City and State) *Check if Clinical (C) or Academic (A)* | Current, Signed Affiliation Agreement or MOU (I.B.5) | Completed Clinical / Applied Learning Experiences Facility Fact Sheet (I.B.4) | Documentation that Assigned Activities are Educational (I.B.2.f) | Site Specific Objectives, Evals, Unique Rules and Policies (I.B.2.f), as applicable | Examples of ongoing Communication between Sponsor and Affiliate (I.B.3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ C ☐ A | | | | ☐ NA | |
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# Standard II: Assessment and Continuous Quality Improvement

## Standard II.A: Systematic Assessment

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard II.A:** Explain how the individuals, processes, and activities that are identified in a documented plan for continuous and systematic assessment determine program effectiveness.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard II.A:** Provide a program mission statement and outcomes/goals.

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Documented plan for the continuous and systematic assessment of program effectiveness that includes responsible individual(s), processes, and a schedule or timeline for identified assessment methods.

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## Standard II.B: Outcome Measures

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard II.B.5:** Describe the structure of the program and how the "final half" of the program was determined when submitting graduation rates.

If the program was required to submit an Action Plan due to outcome measures that fell below NAACLS' approved benchmarks following the last accreditation review, **and** the program has not yet submitted an Interim Report since submitting the Action Plan, describe and analyze the results of the program's Action Plan. Please also include any feedback that was provided by NAACLS in the original review of the Action Plan.

☐ NA

| Certification Rates | For students who graduated between: | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Please identify which three active years are used to determine three-year averages. | [ ]** | [ ] | [ ] | [ ] |
| | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ |

**Programs with Self-Studies due between February and July of the most recent year may use the previous three-year rolling average for calculations as a full year of data will not be available since the last Annual Survey data was collected. Self-Studies submitted June 30th - February 1st of this year must include data from the most recent full year.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| A) Total # of Graduates | | | | |
| ☐NA | **ABB/AAB** *(PHM Programs)* | | | |
| B) # who sat for the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| C) # who passed the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| Yearly Certification Rate (%) $(C \div B) \times 100$ | | | | |
| **Three-Year Average of Certification Rate (%):** $(\sum C \div \sum B) \times 100$ | | | | |
| ☐NA | **ASCP-BOC** *(CG, DMS, HT, HTL, MLA, MLM, MLS, MLT, Path A, and PBT Programs)* | | | |
| D) # who sat for the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| E) # who passed the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| Yearly Certification Rate (%) $(E \div D) \times 100$ | | | | |
| **Three-Year Average of Certification Rate (%):** $(\sum E \div \sum D) \times 100$ | | | | |

| ☐NA | AMT (MLS and MLT Programs) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| F) # who sat for the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| G) # who passed the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| Yearly Certification Rate (%) $(F \div G) \times 100$ | | | | |
| **Three-Year Average Certification Rate (%):** $(\sum F \div \sum G) \times 100$ | | | | |
| ☐NA | NCCT (PBT and MLA Programs) | | | |
| H) # who sat for the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| I) # who passed the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| Yearly Certification Rate (%) $(I \div H) \times 100$ | | | | |
| **Three-Year Average Certification Rate (%):** $(\sum I \div \sum H) \times 100$ | | | | |
| ☐NA | NHA (PBT and MLA Programs) | | | |
| J) # who sat for the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| K) # who passed the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| Yearly Certification Rate (%) $(K \div J) \times 100$ | | | | |
| **Three-Year Average Certification Rate (%):** $(\sum K \div \sum I) \times 100$ | | | | |

| ☐NA | OTHER: (*please identify*)_____ | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| L) # who sat for the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| M) # who passed the exam within the first year of graduation | | | | |
| Yearly Certification Rate (%)<br>    $(M \div L)$ X 100 | | | | |
| **Three-Year Average Certification Rate (%):**<br>    $(\sum M \div \sum L)$ X 100 | | | | |

*If graduates of a program sat for more than one type of certification examination, provide summary data below. Each student is only counted once regardless of how many times they have sat for any exam within one year.*

| Summary of Graduate Certification | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N) total # of graduates sitting for certification exam(s)* within first year of graduation | | | | |
| O) # of graduates certified within first year of graduation | | | | |
| **P) Three-Year Average Certification Rate within the first year of graduation.**<br>    $(\sum O \div \sum N)$ x 100 | | | | |

*A three-year average certification rate below 75% requires additional information to be submitted under Standard VIII.C.*

Attach primary source documentation from the certification agency(ies) with student names redacted.

> *Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

| Attrition/Graduation Rates | For Students slated to graduate in the time periods below: | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ | 7/1/ _____ - 6/30/ _____ |
| A) # who began the "final half" of the program | | | |
| B) # who began the "final half" of the program and subsequently left (voluntarily or involuntarily) | | | |
| C) # who began the "final half" of the program but are still currently enrolled | | | |
| D) # who began the "final half" of the program during the given time period and have since graduated | | | |
| **Yearly Attrition Rate (%):** $(B \div (A - C)) \times 100$ | | | |
| **Yearly Graduation Rate (%):** $(D \div (A - C)) \times 100$ | | | |
| ***Three-Year Graduation Rate (%):** $((\sum D \div (\sum A - \sum C)) \times 100$ | | | |

*A three-year average graduation rate below 70% requires additional information to be submitted under Standard VIII.C.*

Attach examples of tools used to collect Graduation Rate data (include source documentation with student names redacted).

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Attach examples of tools used to collect Attrition Rate data (include source documentation with student names redacted).

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| Placement Rates | For Students slated to graduate in the time periods below: | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | [  ]** <br> 7/1/ _____ - <br> 6/30/ _____ | [  ] <br> 7/1/ _____ - <br> 6/30/ _____ | [  ] <br> 7/1/ _____ - <br> 6/30/ _____ | [  ] <br> 7/1/ _____ - <br> 6/30/ _____ |
| A) Total # of Graduates | | | | |
| B) # that found employment (in the field or in a closely related field) and/or continued their education within one year of graduation | | | | |
| C) # that did neither listed above | | | | |
| D) # who you do NOT have any information for | | | | |
| **Yearly Average Placement Rate (%):** $((B \div (B + C)) \, x \, 100$ | | | | |
| ***Three-Year Average Placement Rate (%):** $((\sum B \div (\sum B + \sum C)) \, X \, 100$ | | | | |

*\*A three-year average graduation rate below 70% requires additional information to be submitted under Standard VIII.C.*

Attach examples of tools used to collect Placement Rate data (include source documentation with student names redacted).

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*(Optional)* Attach examples of tools used to collect other outcomes measures data used in program evaluation as defined in Standard II.B.5 (include source documentation with student names redacted).

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## Standard II.C: Feedback

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard II.C.1:** Describe the process by which the program collects feedback from program graduates in assessment and continuous quality improvement.

**Standard II.C.2:** Describe the process by which the program collects, evaluates, and uses feedback from employers of program graduates in assessment and continuous quality improvement.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

Examples of completed documentation used for obtaining feedback from graduates.

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Examples of completed documentation used for obtaining feedback from employers.

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## Standard II.D: Program Assessment and Modification

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard II.D.1-4:** Describe how the results of outcome measures and graduate feedback and employer feedback are reviewed and evaluated for program assessment and continuous quality improvement.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard II.D.1:** Documentation reflecting how review and evaluation of program outcome measures and feedback is used in program planning, curriculum development, resource acquisition/allocation, program modification and continual process improvement.

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**Standard II.D.2:** Documentation verifying that curriculum development and resource acquisition are incorporated into the continuous quality improvement process.

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**Standard II.D.3:** Documentation of modifications made based on analysis of required feedback and/or outcome measures.

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**Standard II.D.4:** Documentation demonstrating the evaluation of effectiveness of changes made in response to program's data analysis and continuous quality improvement processes.

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# Standard III: Resources

## Standard III.A: General Resources

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard III.A.1:** Describe the program's financial resources and adequacy for assuring achievement of program goals and continued program operation.

**Standard III.A.2:** Describe how personnel and physical resources are evaluated for adequacy in the program's assessment and continuous quality improvement process.

## Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:

**Standard III.A.1:** Attach an institutionally approved budget or written statement of continued financial support for the educational program.

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

**Standard III.A.2:** Attach examples of documentation used to evaluate the adequacy of the program's personnel and physical resources.

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## Standard III.B: Personnel Resources

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard III.B.1:** Describe personnel resources and how they support the program outcomes.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

Instructor to student ratios for lecture, student laboratory (if applicable) and clinical laboratory (if applicable).

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

Program specific faculty and staff job descriptions.

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

Examples of evidence of program evaluation of the faculty/staff ratio.

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## Standard III.C: Physical Resources

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard III.C.1:** Describe the program's academic and clinical/applied learning physical resources including facilities, equipment and supplies, information resources, and instructional resources.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

Provide a sample list of equipment and instructional resources available to students and describe how they are utilized in the curriculum.

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# Standard IV: Students

## Standard IV.A: Publications and Disclosures

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard IV.A.1.a-m:** Identify the specific publication(s) and/or locations in which these requirements are defined, published, and readily available to prospective and enrolled students.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

Submit or provide a link to current publications that address each of the items listed in Standard IV.A.1. a-m.

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## Standard IV.B: Student Records

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard IV.B.1:** Describe how the sponsoring institution maintains records for enrolled students and graduates in compliance with government or sponsor regulations.

**Standard IV.B.2:** Describe how transcripts/student records are permanently retained and contain elements required by the Standard.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard IV.B.1:** Evidence that student records are maintained and contain the materials required by Standard IV.B.

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

**Standard IV.B.2:** Example of a completed transcript or record with identifying student information redacted.

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## Standard IV.C: Health and Safety

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard IV.C.1:** Describe how the health and safety of students, faculty, program specific staff and patients, are safeguarded during educational activities.

**Standard IV.C.2:** Describe how biohazard and safety training is accomplished and documented for each enrolled student, all faculty members, and program specific staff.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard IV.C.1:** Policy(ies) and procedures used for safeguarding the health and safety of students, faculty, program specific staff and patients.

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**Standard IV.C.2:** Examples of evidence that each enrolled student, all faculty members, and program specific staff have received biohazard and safety training.

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# Standard V: Operational Policies

## Standard V: Fair Practices

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard V.A:** Describe student and faculty recruitment procedures and explain how they are non-discriminatory.

**Standard V.E.:** Explain how the program ensures that students have an assigned preceptor, appropriate for the discipline, who directly oversees their applied learning experiences.

**Standard V.F:** Explain how the program ensures that students are not substituted for laboratory employees/personnel during applied learning experiences.

**Standard V.G:** Explain under what conditions student employment can occur at an applied learning site.

## Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:

**Standard V.B:** Evidence of non-discrimination policy statements along with student admission requirements and faculty appointment criteria.

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**Standard V.C:** Policy or handbook statement indicating that granting of the degree or certificate is not contingent upon passing an external certification or licensure exam.

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**Standard V.D:** General plan addressing both temporary and permanent program closures.

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**Standard V.E:** Documentation to verify that students have an assigned preceptor who directly oversees their clinical/applied learning experiences.

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**Standard V.F:** Documentation that verifies students are not substituted for clinical/applied learning site employees/personnel during the clinical/applied learning experience.

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**Standard V.G:** Documentation verifying how and when students, faculty, staff, and clinical/applied learning sites receive information detailing when student employment can occur at an clinical/applied learning site.

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# Standard VI: Administrative: Maintaining Accreditation

This standard involves administrative requirements for maintaining accreditation throughout its award period and is not reviewed in the self-study process.

# Standard VII: Program Administration

## Standard VII.A: Program Director

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.A.1&2:** Provide the name and credentials of the program director and describe the position qualifications and responsibilities.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.A.1:** Documentation of NAACLS approval of the program director or required qualifications documentation.

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

**Standard VII.A.2:** Evidence that the program director maintains the responsibilities as defined by the NAACLS Standard for the program discipline.

*Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers.*

**Standard VII.A.2.a:** Official position description for the program director.

> *Please include all documentation per the Standards Compliance Guide in this gray box provided. Please ensure that attachment pin placements are easily identifiable by self-study reviewers..*

**Standard VII.A.2.b:** Examples of evidence that the program director participates in the budget process.

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**Standard VII.A.2.c:** Completed Faculty Fact Sheet for the program director.

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**Standard VII.A.2.d:** Official position description or other evidence that the program director is responsible for maintaining NAACLS accreditation of the program.

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**Standard VII.A.2.e:** Evidence that the program director has regular and consistent contact with students, faculty, and program personnel.

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**Standard VII.A.3:** Evidence of faculty or clinical appointments.

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## Standard VII.B: Site Program Coordinator (if applicable)

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.B.1:** No narrative necessary.

**Standard VII.B.2:** Explain how the site program administrator is involved with the coordination of teaching and clinical/applied learning education.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.B.1:** Evidence that the site program administrator meets the qualifications required for the program discipline.

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**Standard VII.B.2:** Evidence that the site program administrator meets the responsibilities required for the program discipline.

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## Standard VII.C: Faculty/Instructor

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.C.1:** Provide the name(s) and credentials of the major didactic faculty member(s) /instructors and describe how they meet the qualifications and responsibilities required for the program discipline. Describe how the program ensures faculty is teaching at the appropriate level.

**Standard VII.C.2:** Explain how clinical/applied learning experience liaison(s) are identified.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.C.1.a:** Evidence that the major faculty/instructors have the qualifications and responsibilities required for the program discipline and that they teach at the appropriate level.

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**Standard VII.C.2.a&b:** Evidence that supports that the clinical/applied learning experience liaisons are healthcare professionals.

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## Standard VII.D: Advisory Committee

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.D.1:** For each advisory committee member, submit the name, credentials and relationship of the individual to the program and describe how they have knowledge of medical laboratory science education.

**Standard VII.D.2:** Describe how the advisory committee has input into the program (including curriculum) ensuring it maintains relevancy and effectiveness.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.D.2:** Provide examples of input from the advisory committee into the program to ensure it maintains relevancy and effectiveness.

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## Standard VII.E: Accreditation Liaison (when required)

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.E.1&2:** Provide the name and credentials of the accreditation liaison and describe the position qualifications and responsibilities.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.E.1:** NAACLS letter indicating approval of the accreditation liaison.

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**Standard VII.E.2:** Official position description for the accreditation liaison, indicating responsibilities for the position.

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## Standard VII.F: Education Coordinator (when required)

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.F.1:** Provide the name and qualifications of the education coordinator.

**Standard VII.F.2:** Describe the role and responsibilities of the education coordinator.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.F.1:** NAACLS letter indicating approval of the education coordinator.

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**Standard VII.F.2:** Official position description for the education coordinator, indicating responsibilities for the position.

## Standard VII.G: Medical Director (For Path A Programs only)

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.G.1:** Provide the name and credentials of the program's medical director.

**Standard VII.G.2:** Explain how the individual meets the responsibilities required of the program discipline.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VII.G.1:** Completed Faculty Fact Sheet for the medical director that includes a currently licensed, board-certified anatomic pathologist.

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**Standard VII.G.2:** Official position description for the medical director, indicating responsibilities for the position.

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# Standard VIII: Curriculum Requirements

## Standard VIII.A: Instructional Areas

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

Describe how the program meets all instructional areas listed for the specific program discipline.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

Completed Standard VIII Matrix or similar table that identifies where items listed in Standard VIII.A for the discipline specific program are addressed in the curriculum. **Note:** not yet available for program directors. Staff will provide to program directors by May 1, 2025.

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## Standard VIII.B: Learning Experiences

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VIII.B.1:** Discuss how learning experiences provided achieve entry-level competencies for the program discipline.

**Standard VIII.B.2:** Describe how competency is determined to permit students to perform procedures under qualified supervision.

**Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:**

**Standard VIII.B.1:** Examples of how learning experiences support students in meeting entry-level competencies

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**Standard VIII.B.2:** Policy(ies) regarding students performing procedures under qualified supervision

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## Standard VIII.C: Evaluations

**Contents of Narrative for Self-Study:**

**Standard VIII.C.1:** Describe the program's evaluation system(s) as they relate to the course content and align with program and course competencies.

**Standard VIII.C.2:** Describe the frequency of use of the various evaluation tools and how that timing provides faculty and students sufficient and timely feedback on the student's academic standing and progress.

**Standard VIII.C.3:** Describe how the evaluations are used to determine the effectiveness of course instruction and design.

## Accompanying Documentation for Self-Study:

**Standard VIII.C.1:** Documentation for one course that demonstrates evaluation systems correlate with course content and support program competencies.

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**Standard VIII.C.2:** Documentation that demonstrates evaluation systems are employed frequently enough to provide timely indications of students' academic standing and progress.

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**Standard VIII.C.3:** Documentation that evaluation systems serve as a reliable indicator of the effectiveness of instruction and course design.

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Thank you for your commitment to excellence in laboratory science education. Your thorough completion of this self-study will greatly assist in the accreditation process. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please don't hesitate to contact NAACLS.