The results from a visit by members of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools as part of FIU's reaccreditation bid have officially been released.

According to an e-mail sent out to the University community by Interim Provost and Executive Vice President Douglas Wartock, the recently received report of the SACS on-site committee provides an analysis of all the principles of accreditation and finds FIU in compliance with 89 of 90 principles.

“Our compliance with key SACS principles was indeed an accomplishment when compared to other institutions’ record of recommendations at this point in the review process,” Wartock said.

The report shows the top four principles on which universities going through the review process received recommendations: identification and assessment for improvement of general education curriculum, certification of faculty qualifications for teaching assigned courses, identification and assessment for student learning, program and administrative outcomes, as well as the Quality Enhancement Plan.

Among all universities in the “general education curriculum” category, 46 percent of universities being reviewed had recommendations given to them by SACS; FIU had none.

For the “assessment of student learning, program and administration outcomes” category, 63 percent of universities being reviewed had recommendations given to them by SACS; FIU had none.

“The learning outcomes focus is really all about what the students walk away from here in terms of what they know or what they can do with their life as it relates to global learning and global citizenship,” said Dr. Ed Rugg, a SACS member from Kennesaw State University, during his visit to FIU in early March.

The one category for which FIU received recommendations from SACS was the QEP of which 71 percent of universities reviewed also received recommendations.

SACS called our QEP topic a brilliant move for FIU, and by incorporating the suggestions made by the SACS on-site team, we are confident that our QEP will become a model national for global learning in higher education,” said Hillary Landforth, director of the Office of Global Learning Initiatives.

According to the e-mail sent out by Wartock, the next step in the reaccreditation process will be a response to the site visit report, which is due Sept. 12.
Aramark company plans to give back to community

Food distributor unites with City Year for community service project

ALEXANDRA CAMEJO
Staff Writer

On April 15, Panther Dining and Aramark – FIU’s food service provider – will be stepping out of the realms of the kitchen to partake in a company-wide community involvement initiative, aimed at strengthening and supporting community centers at the Miami Rescue Mission.

Partnering with FIU and City Year, Aramark encourages all students, faculty, staff, friends and alumni to participate in this large-scale community service project.

Along with FIU’s volunteers, Aramark employees will work with the Miami Rescue Mission to transform the downtown Miami community center.

Deemed as FORTUNE magazine’s 2010 top-ranked industry in “World’s Most Admired Companies,” Aramark launched its Aramark Building Community in 2008 with the intention to refurbish community facilities, and provide assistance with human services such as shelter, food and clothing to those who rely on these community centers.

It is the desire of Aramark and Panther Dining to give back to the South Florida community through a day of service at the Miami Rescue Mission.

According to the event’s flyer, “The Miami Rescue Mission is a non-profit organization that has served low-income and homeless children and families of South Florida since 1922.”

Through the collaboration between Aramark, City Year, a youth organization dedicated to gathering volunteers, and the Miami Rescue Mission, the company hopes to continue its successful service efforts throughout the nation.

Resident Aramark District Manager Roger Clegg highlighted the opportunity being given to FIU with this service project, “Aramark’s building community program has scheduled a few events similar to this one across the country where we partner with a university community to support a local community center. We at FIU are fortunate to be included in this project.”

This will be the University and Aramark’s first experience partnering together for any type of project like this.

By including the FIU community in its philanthropic efforts, Aramark hopes for a greater multitude of people, like students, to volunteer with organizations like the Miami Rescue Mission.

Michael Ostreich, Panther Dining’s marketing manager expressed the need to involve more volunteers with this event.

“The reason we chose FIU was because we did a similar event with just Aramark people last year at the Miami Rescue Mission, we formed a good relationship with them and wanted to continue to help,” Ostreich said.

“With FIU being the closest campus, it was the easiest way to involve people outside of Aramark.”

Ostreich, who participated in Aramark’s similar event in Orlando last week, ensures that this event will not only benefit our community, but it will be “a lot of fun.”

Individuals still have time to sign up for the event, and anyone, whether a member of the FIU community or not, can participate.

Volunteers will perform painting, landscaping, trash pick up and light construction duties at the community center.

“The day begins, Thursday, April 15, at 8 a.m. at the Fresh Food Company in [the Graham Center] where breakfast will be provided. Transportation will be provided to and from the mission. We should be back to campus by 4:30 p.m.,” Clegg said.

By aiming to recruit at least 100 people, Aramark hopes that tomorrow’s mission will not only contribute to the company’s building community initiative, but most importantly inspire more people to give back to the South Florida community.

Students interested in volunteering can sign up at http://surveymonkey.com/s/7HREFGDS.

Danny Rivers and his friends realized that the family restaurant that they had

something. The waiter came over and said, “Do you want to go to ball? Un... someone was upstairs. Right upstairs, the

Italian 101 helps student order pizza at restaurant

Looking for something more authentic than local chain Pizza Hut, the group had decided to venture out and try a new place.

“I swear it was the easiest decision that we ever made,” Karl Wilcox, a student, recalled. “It was an experience quickly turned into a scary moment of my life.”

“I went to the downtown pizza on the last day of class where we had Italian 101,” Dr. Denise Carrol’s, Where everyone raved about the best food. And that’s exactly what they are. They are our family. But the end of the class, the final exam question was, ‘What is the final exam question?’ Apparently, ‘What is the final exam question?’”

The faculty did not deny the claim. In fact, Art History professor Michael Friedman spoke with great liberty.

“We did eat too many Dominos.”

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"Ultimately they will be affected from [this bill] and we must not have neglected their opinion."

Musaed Saleem, Former Graduate Student Senate Senator Government Council at Madison Mad doeage Campus

Colleagues describe Travis as ‘compassionate, humble’

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different from other schools he has taught at.

"FIU is a new school with new accreditation and lots of new exciting things happening," Travis said.

He currently teaches intellectual property law, Internet law and anti-trust law and explained how he likes to structure his classes.

"I usually base my classes around a statute or a treaty and then provide evidence of the application of the principle involved with two or three court cases.

Lots of current events are involved in my classes. It is important for the students to extract the meaning and the principles from the cases we study," Travis said.

When outside the classroom, Travis has other hobbies he enjoys pursuing.

I have traveled Europe and would still like to do more traveling. I loved Venice for its architecture. But I would still love to visit Bombay, India and the surrounding smaller towns," Travis said.

For now, Travis has concrete plans to travel but in the meantime enjoys reading and watching films. "I loved Huckle for the pure reason of the great writing involved. I previously read philosophical books such as Thomas Hobbes and Foucault. Currently, I am interested in historical books," Travis said.

Travis also has other projects in the works away from the law school.

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He has published many articles and book chapters regarding software licensing, cyber law and the Google Books Search cases.

Professor Kerri Stone, an assistant professor at the law school, praised Professor Travis and pointed out the admirable qualities in him as a professor and colleague.

"I hold him in the highest esteem. I can say that Hannibal Travis embodies a very rare combination of extreme intelligence, compassion and concern for his students and colleagues, and humility," Stone said.

Another colleague of Travis, Manuel Gomez, shared a similar sentiment. According to Gomez, he and Professor Travis are working on a casebook for the "introduction to international and comparative" law course and share at least one course in common.

"Professor Travis works on areas that are very important to the mission of the College of Law and has shown commitment to help our students excel in their endeavors," Gomez said.

Professor Stone best summed up how members of the faculty feel about this particular professor.

"He is a trusted friend of many on the faculty, and I am proud to call him my friend and my colleague," Stone said.

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Student employees recognized for hard work

MELODY REGALADO
Staff Writer

For the first time, students working for the University are being recognized for their accomplishments during Student Employment Week, the week of April 12 to 16. “This is the first time that FIU will be honoring student employees during a week and awarding the Student Employee of the Year,” said Rashida Taylor, a junior majoring in finance, who describes the two years she has spent also working for the Office of Financial Aid as a “rewarding experience” that allowed her to be present to the university “at a whole new angle.”

As a student, I am just a recipient of financial aid,” said Taylor. “As a student-worker in Financial Aid, not only am I able to learn about available awards, I am able to work along- side some of the most hard working staff members here at the University. Thanks to the work study program I have been given the opportunity to enhance my role here at FIU.”

Human Resources has been hosting events all week, which started with a kickoff luncheon on April 12. The events will culminate into an awards ceremony on April 16 in the Graham Center Ballrooms at the Modesto Maidique Campus, where University President Mark Rosenberg will announce the winner of the Student Employee of the Year award, along with five finalists.

The prizes awarded will remain a surprise for everyone until the awards ceremony.

“The people I’ve met in Human Resources has been a senior majoring in accounting, is a nominee that works for the Office of Financial Aid. “As an accounting major, working for the Financial Aid Office has given me some insight into my future career,” he said.

“pretty sure he does not give a friend a high mark, but it should be based on their duties and current projects and initiatives,” Victoria Aguila, SGC-BBC Arts and Science senator said.

Most times, students are the first face, voice, and point of contact for other students, staff and visitors.

Carolyn Taylor, Director of Recruitment Services Human Resources

Asst. News Director

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Advocates for the disabled, elderly, hospitals and other interests objected to some details and the timing of a massive Medicaid overhaul April 12, but the plan won near unanimous approval at its first — and possibly last — committee hearing in the Florida House.

The measures would carry out a plan to expand a five-county pilot program of managed care by private companies or other groups, including provider service networks made up of doctors and hospitals, to all of Florida’s 67 counties over the next five years.

Miami-Dade County, the state’s largest, would be added in the first year and the others later.

Lawmakers see the plan as a way to rein in the growing cost of the fraud-plagued state-federal program that provides health care for 2.7 million low-income and disabled Floridians. The program is expected to consume $19 billion in the next fiscal year and account for more than a quarter of the state budget.

There was plenty of discomfort about the bills that are on a fast track after getting a late start. House leaders waited until last week to unveil the plan, and now just 18 days remain in the 60-day session.

Alisa Snow of the Florida Community Health Action Information Network, which advocates for Medicaid patients, urged lawmakers to delay action for a year to get a complete analysis of the pilot program and assess how the new federal health care overhaul would affect it.

Rep. Gary Aubuchon, though, said there’s no need to wait.

“There are pieces and parts that people are unhappy with, but I would submit to you if we studied this for the next 10 years and then brought a bill forward there would be pieces and parts that people were unhappy with,” said the Cape Coral Republican.

The panel also heard that the legislation might result in the loss of $100 million in federal money for specialty physicians mostly at teaching hospitals by requiring them to serve areas that don’t contribute tax dollars to their support.

Democratic lawmakers said they’d also like to see some changes including adding requirements for public comment periods and hearings before regional plans are approved, a uniform statewide grievance procedure, an electronic claims system and information provided to Medicaid recipients in the language of their choice.

However, Rep. Keith Fitzgerald, D-Sarasota, withdrew amendments, saying Democrats would seek those changes later.

“There are a lot of details that need to be worked out,” Fitzgerald said. “We commit to doing that in constructive manner.”
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**THE BEACON REVIEWS:** KICK-ASS

**STEVIE MESA**
**Staff Writer**

Befored Iron Man returns to the silver screen with the anticipated sequel to the 2008 summer hit, Kick-Ass marks an early start to the summer movie season featuring some unlikely heroines.

Based on a graphic novel series created by Mark Miller (Wynonna) and directed by Matthew Vaughn (X-Men: The Last Stand), Kick-Ass tells the story of Dave Lizewski (Aaron Johnson), a young comic book geek who decides to become a crime fighter named Kick-Ass by putting together a homemade superhero outfit and fighting crime.

His first attempt as a superhero takes a near-fatal turn when he gets stabbed in the stomach and runs over by an incoming car. This leaves him spending months recovering in the hospital and so much metal in his body that it makes his X-ray look like Wolverine’s.

With a lack of ability to not feel any more pain, Dave puts on his outfit again and eventually becomes successful and an overnight sensation. However, he is not the only superhero in town as he encounters other heroes like Red Mist (Christopher Mintz-Plasse) and the father-daughter team of Hit Girl and Big Daddy, who are making their own plans by taking down angry and violent mob boss Frank D’Amico (Mark Strong).

Vaughn and the rest of the filmmakers of Kick-Ass take the elements that make comic book movies what they are and set them in the real world, sometimes resulting in hilarious moments. The humor is not so above-the-top to be considered a spoof of the superhero genre as the movie has several nods and trademarks that remind the audience that it’s still a comic book movie. Written by Vaughn and Jun Goldman, the dialogue of Kick-Ass makes the film even more memorable and hilarious. The quick wit in the dialogue often seems reminiscent of Superbad.

The cast is tremendous as each actor brought their A-game to the stable with performances that include an Oscar-winner and a young actress delivering the breakthrough performance of the year. British-born Aaron Johnson could have portrayed Dave as another stereotype from high school movies – an awkward and nerdy teenager – but he manages to create a performance that transitions his character from hopeless crime fighter to genuine superhero as the film’s finale allows him to live up to the name of his alter ego.

Following his crazy turn in The Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call-New Orleans, Nicolas Cage delivers an Oscar-worthy performance as the aging chanteuse. An interviewer notes in her later years that her personal experiences included rape, abortion, jail sentences and heroin additions. O’Day quickly retorts, “Well, that’s the way it went down.”

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We follow her to the Santa Anita Racetrack as she places her bets on her favorite horses, and we hear about the first time she got high. At one point, after over-dosing, she was declared dead by medics. She went cold turkey to kick the habit.

O’Day doesn’t spend time asking for pity and this certainly isn’t just watching her complain for the length of the film. She doesn’t complain. Ineistructible was the title of her last album, released in 2004. That’s certainly the theme behind her life.

In between the personal conflicts and train wreck of a life she lived, which the documentary delivers in beauty.

Live at Newport, in Tokyo; performing with Louis Armstrong, Lionel Hampton, Oscar Peterson, we see the consummate musician. Later in life, we see her in the studio, working through rehearsals, discussing her favorite key to perform in.

Certainly not as famous as Billie Holiday or Ella Fitzgerald, her name is usually tossed among their in the jazz community in terms of sheer greatness. We’re able to see why. She doesn’t seem to care. It was about the music.

Maybe she was not as renowned as Billie or Ella, but she got to do what she loved most: sing. Without remorse.

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**O’Day’s life told without remorse**
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Tennis defeats UCF to cap season

JONATHAN RAMOS
Sports Director

The Golden Panthers capped off their season by defeating in-state rival Central Florida 4-3 on April 10 at the UCF tennis complex, giving them a chance to turn their attention to the 2010 Sun Belt Conference Tournament on April 23-25.

FIU gained an advantage by earning the doubles point behind the dominant duo of Liset Brito and Priscilla Castillo, who earned their ninth victory of the season and 17th of their careers together. The pair dropped Jenny Frisell and Alexis Rodriguez in a clean sweep.

The doubles point turned out to be crucial.

After FIU (12-7) managed to split the six match single competition, with both teams earning three victories, the doubles point was the difference.

UCF (11-6) won singles points behind Rodriguez, Andrea Yacaman and Jenna Doefler. The Golden Panthers won with Brito, Castillo and Maria Vallasciani.

Brito (No. 92) improved her record 13-4 on the season, as she moved into 26th place on the individual leaderboard, respectively.

The win was the team’s seventh in its last nine contests.

GOLF

After a promising start, the Golden Panthers’ momentum stymied down the stretch as they finished 14th in the field of 16 at the SunTrust Gator Women’s Invite in Gainesville on April 10-11.

Michigan State had a stellar score of +28 to take the event, while Florida State was not far behind, shooting +31.

The Golden Panthers were competitive in the early going, placing eighth in the first round.

FIU, however, fell to 13th in the second round, and ultimately dropped further in the final round. Paula Hurtado is the No. 19, Berry’s number.

The FIU softball team is paying tribute to Kendall Berry with helmet stickers noting REMEMBERING BERRY

The native of Brandon, Fla. now leads the team in home runs with seven on the year.

ON TIME

Aside from McClain’s game-tying home run, there have been other Golden Panthers tracking down timely hits as of late.

Freshman Brie Rojas went 3-for-10 against Louisiana-Lafayette last weekend but notched a game winning hit in the bottom of the ninth inning in game two of the series. The win gave FIU the series win.

After the game, head coach Beth McClendon commented that it was one of the best days the team has had.

“I was pleased with the entire day,” she said. “I thought that was probably the best day we’ve had this year. I think Louisiana is a great team. To come out and win two against them is a great day; I’m proud of the entire group.”

Freshman Kayla Burri has also been productive as of late for the Golden Panthers with a .393 batting average, but she could be out against FAU after suffering a knee injury in game three of the UL series.

FIU will hope to see more offensive production from sophomore Jenny Welch and senior Lauren Spiers, who are batting under a .250 average so far this season, especially if Burri is out.

After the wins against arguably the best team in the conference, FIU remains confident that they are on their way to the top spot in the SBC.

“This is huge. We’re on our way to the conference championship, I can tell you that,” Rojas said.

“This got us rolling and from here on out we’ll take it to everybody.”
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FIU looks to keep hold of conference against FAU

STEFANIE GABRIEL
Ass. Sports Director

The FIU softball team has been gaining momentum as of late, and Florida Atlantic has been riding a recent wave of success as well.

But something has to give as the Sun Belt Conference rivals face off today for the first time this season at the FIU Softball Complex at 6 p.m.

The Golden Panthers (25-14, 7-4 Sun Belt) are coming off a series against former conference leader Louisiana-Lafayette in which they took two of three games to grab the top spot in the Sun Belt Conference standings.

Meanwhile, the Owls split a series with Troy last weekend and have now won six of their last 10 games.

A solid pitching staff have led FAU (20-19, 5-5 SBC) to their recent success.

The Owls’ staff has the lowest combined earned run average in the conference at 1.94.

Their combined batting average, however, is lowest of teams in the conference at .210.

As for the Golden Panthers, they rank second in the SBC in team batting with a .288 average and have 81 more hits than conference leader Louisiana.

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FIU’s pitching staff, which has been inconsistent at times, ranks fourth in the conference with a 2.78 ERA.

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The last time the teams met was May 1 and 2 of the 2009 season.

The Golden Panthers took the first game 7-0, but the Owls came back in game two with a 2-1 win in extra innings (9).

SWEEPING AGAIN

For the second time this season, FIU has swept the weekly SBC Players of the Week awards.

Senior pitcher Kasey Barrett and sophomore right fielder and pitcher Ashley McClain were both recognized by the conference for their efforts versus Florida Gulf Coast and Louisiana-Lafayette on April 10 and 11.

Barrett appeared in four of the five games and went 3-1 in the circle.

In three starts she pitched two complete games and one shutout while recording a season-high tying 12 strikeouts out against FGCU.

After the wins she notched against Louisiana, Barrett was relieved.

“Since I’ve been here at FIU, I’ve struggled against them so it was an awesome feeling to finally beat them twice,” she said.

The native of Starke, Fla. is now 12-8 on the season and boasts an ERA of 1.97 in 26 appearances, churning back from a few rough appearances.

As for McClain, she hit .471 across the five contests.

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The Golden Panthers gear up for brief home stand

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The Golden Panthers will probably be very happy to play in front of a home crowd today considering the difficulties that have been a constant theme for the team this season.

The team has cooled off and has lost four of its last six coming into a weekday contest with Bethune-Cookman tonight at FIU baseball stadium.

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The right-hander threw a season-high seven innings against Arkansas-Little Rock and Middle Tennessee. Overall, the Golden Panthers are now 3-4 away from home this season.

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