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The Important Aspects of the Self-Study Corner: Dr. Charles Sidman's visit to campus was successful. We have been declared "ready for the reaffirmation visit." Dr. Sidman was on campus January 14th and 15th and met with Dr. Eakin, Dr. Springer, and Dr. Hallock. We toured the proposed facilities for the Visiting Committee both on and off campus and reviewed materials and logistics. Dr. Sidman is a member of the Department of History at the University of Florida. He will chair the 19-member Visiting Committee. Moreover, we learned that we will be the first institution ever in the Southern Association's history to have a Visiting Committee member assigned solely to review athletics, something we look forward to with additional pride!

The University Follow-up Plan: The Chancellor and his staff have approved "The University Follow-up Plan." This plan describes activities currently underway which address the fifteen non-compliance conclusions in the self-study report. The plan also illustrates how 37 of the 78 "further planning considerations" are already effectively implemented as operational planning objectives across various offices in the University and assigns the remaining 41 for evaluation in particularly designated offices during the next cycle of strategic and operational planning. This plan will be sent to SACS and the members of the Visiting Committee as well as all campus self-study offices in late January. Progress under the Follow-up Plan will be reported in the *Self-Study Addendum Report*, to be prepared by the Steering Committee in February 1992 and mailed to the Visiting Committee just before their March visit.

What Should Offices Be Doing Now for the Committee Visit?

- (1) Keep March 23-26, 1992 reserved on your calendar.
- (2) Review the 93 conclusions in the Self-Study Report.
- (3) Continue working on "Part 3" plans from your own office self-study.
- (4) Work on relevant non-compliance conclusions. Academic officers please address M2, M3, and M4 in the Self-Study Report by revising your "Assessment Plan" [done for the UNC-GA].
- (5) Plan to integrate other office self-study goals & any relevant conclusions from the Report into your strategic & operational planning.
- (6) Bring to hand brief written statements in answer to the four SACS questions listed in the October [and earlier] Newsletters.

Remaining SACS Self-Study Calendar:

Self-Study Addendum sent to Visiting Committee:	February 28, 1992
SACS Committee Visit:	March 23-26, 1992
SACS Visiting Committee Report:	April-May, 1992
University Responses & Follow-ups:	Summer-Fall, 1992
SACS Vote on reaffirmation of accreditation:	December, 1992