Each year, the Accreditation and Institutional Quality Committee (AIQ) evaluates BC's progress on our Institution Set-Standards and regularly reports the outcomes of this evaluation to Academic Senate and College Council. As defined by ACCJC, an institution-set standard is a standard that the College strives to not fall beneath and evaluates on an annual basis. When BC fails to meet an ISS, AIQ acts by evaluating the need to develop and implement a plan for improvement.

This year, AIQ voted to not offer any recommendations on our ISS due to the COVID pandemic and atypical nature of the year. The committee further noted that no incident of underperformance was sufficient to trigger the institutional process for falling below an ISS.

AIQ is pleased to share a new tableau developed by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness to track progress on the BC Institution Set-Standards. The tableau is available at: https://public.tableau.com/profile/bc.office.of.institutional.effectiveness#!/vizhome/BakersfieldCollegeInstitution-SetStandards/FallCourseSuccessRates

In addition to the new tableau, it is important to note that in the 2020-2021 school year, AIQ made recommendations to adopt two new categories of ISS: Financial Aid and Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO’s). Once approved by College Council, these two new standards will augment the current ISS set, enabling the college to better assess institutional effectiveness.