MCU Accredited by MSCHE

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) approved 5-year institutional accreditation of Ming Chuan University (MCU) November 18, 2010, based on the report from the Evaluation Team, which visited the university in late September 2010. MCU is the first American-accredited University in Asia, with its bachelors' and masters' degrees now jointly recognized both by MSCHE, one of six U.S. regional accrediting agencies, and the Taiwan Ministry of Education.

The Evaluation Team from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education delivered a very positive verbal report to Ming Chuan University (MCU) President Dr. Chuan Lee and over 50 directors, faculty and staff in attendance at an Exit Interview on Wednesday morning September 29 at the conclusion of the Team’s site visit to the University at its Taoyuan Campus. MCU was commended for meeting all 14 standards of the Commission, a positive culmination of a process that began in 2006.

This Evaluation Team was headed up by Dr. David F. Turk, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Nyack College in Nyack, New York. The other four members of the team were Ms. Robin Beads, Associate Director of Institutional Research and Assessment at the American University in Washington, DC; Ms. Charling Chang Fagan, Director of Libraries and Academic Computing at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronsville, New York; Mr. Michael J. Frantz, Vice President for Enrollment Management at Robert Morris University in Moon Township, Pennsylvania; and Mr. William Joseph Scott, Vice President of Finance and Administration at the American International University in London, Richmond, Surrey, United Kingdom.

As team leader, Dr. David Turk spoke on behalf of this team of five evaluators. He spoke, with deep emotion, about the deep impression that all team members have regarding the significance of the MCU mission to attend to all students with parental care. Dr. Turk said that it is a really great testimony to each of the team members about how MCU that faculty and staff’ care for each student, one by one.

The team commended President Lee for his amazing visionary leadership in moving MCU not only into mainland China market but across the globe, in attracting students, faculty and collaboration programs. Dr. Turk commented that is has been a great pleasure to see Dr. Lee’s leadership in action.

Faculty were commended for their exceptional work on assessment over the past five years. The team commented that this degree of participation and level of achievement is something that few universities can match. Dr. Turk went on to especially commend the unit staff and department secretaries for their very important role in keying in massive quantities of data, as well as chasing after faculty and students to collect all the necessary information. This is just one of the evidences of the teamwork and family spirit of MCU.

Thirdly, the MSCHE team commended the institution for its work over these past five years to link student learning goals to the MCU mission and goals. The close and careful linkage and mapping that are evident is a significant achievement for any university, and one to be proud of.