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**CALENDAR**

- Institutional Orientation, Crystal City, VA - Sept 10-12
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**NCATE Redesign of Accreditation to Strengthen Focus on P-12 Student Needs and Build Evidence of What Works**

On June 23, NCATE announced a major redesign of accreditation to help close the gap between theory and practice, and coursework and the classroom. Institutions and states provided examples of the types of initiatives that NCATE seeks to have accredited institutions develop and strengthen. [Read about the redesign and institutional and](#)

[state examples...](#)

**NCATE Seeks Public Comment on Proposed Criteria for new SPA Standards**

NCATE's Specialty Areas Studies Board established a Task Force to develop new criteria for Specialized Professional Associations (SPAs) standards. The new guidelines are designed to ensure that the SPA standards are more focused and more consistent, while still maintaining an emphasis on student learning and on candidate knowledge and skills. [A draft set of principles, with formatting guidance, is now available for your comment.](#)

The Task Force will have an open web-based forum to discuss the proposal on [August 12](#).

**NCATE and TEAC Boards Approve a Resolution Moving Toward a Unified Accrediting System**

**HEADLINES**

★ **Education News:**

- IES Funding Opportunity on Low-Performing Schools
- Mark your calendar for the TQ Center's next TQ Connection On-line Discussion on Response to Intervention (RTI): Evidenced-based Math Interventions
- More...

★ **NCATE News:**

- Boyce C. Williams receives sixth honorary doctorate during 16-year tenure at NCATE
- AERA Invitation to NCATE SCDE Personnel to Join SIG on Accreditation Research
- Highlights from 2008 Survey of NCATE Institutions
- More...

**NCATE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEB CONFERENCE SERIES**

Upcoming Web-Seminars for

- Arts & Sciences Faculties
- BOE Chairs & Members
- Institutions
- Program Reviewers
- State Partners

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**WE HEARD YOU!**

NCATE surveyed its institutions and is making significant changes. Institutions can expect...

- Value... to help improve programs
- Cost-effectiveness... to ensure feasibility
- Options... to encourage creativity & excellence
- Rigor... to maintain high standards

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