

### **Invitation for Public Comments**

Roger Williams University will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit (September 25-28<sup>th</sup>, 2016) by a team representing the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (CIHE) of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

CIHE is one of seven accrediting commissions in the United States that provides institutional accreditation on a regional basis. Accreditation is voluntary and applies to the institution as a whole. CIHE, which is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, accredits approximately 240 institutions in the six-state New England region.

Roger Williams University has been accredited by CIHE since 1972, and was last reviewed in 2006. For the past year and a half, Roger Williams University has been engaged in a process of self-study, addressing CIHE's *Standards for Accreditation*. An evaluation team will visit the institution to gather evidence that the self-study is thorough and accurate. After the visit, the team will make recommendations to CIHE, and following a review process, CIHE will take final action.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the institution to:

Public Comment on Roger Williams University  
Commission on Institutions of Higher Education  
New England Association of Schools and Colleges  
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Burlington, MA 01803-4514  
Email: [cihe@neasc.org](mailto:cihe@neasc.org)

Public Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution. CIHE cannot settle disputes between individuals and institutions, whether those involve faculty, students, administrators, or members of other groups. Comments will not be treated as confidential and must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person providing the comments.

Public Comments must be received by Wednesday, September 28, 2016. CIHE cannot guarantee that comments received after that date will be considered.