#### Middle States and Information Literacy

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## Middle States Accreditation

- Required every ten years
- Institution must conduct a comprehensive self-study to address the 14 Middle States "standards of excellence"
- Standards cover all aspects of the institution mission, resources, governance and administration, student recruitment, faculty, ed. programs, assessment activities.

## Purpose of Self-Study

- Address standards and improve the institution
- Much of the work of the self-study will be informed by the strategic plan
- Each working group will address standards and three broad areas of strategic emphases: diversity, curricular review (both the open curriculum and departmental curricula), and resources during challenging times

## Middle States Standards

- Standard 1: Mission and Goals
- Standard 2: Planning, Resource Allocation, and Institutional Renewal
- Standard 3: Institutional Resources
- Standard 4: Leadership and Governance
- Standard 5: Administration
- Standard 6: Integrity
- Standard 7: Institutional Assessment

# Standard 11: Educational Offerings The institution's educational offerings

### Standard 11 Context

Several skills, collectively referred to as "information literacy," apply to all disciplines in an institution's curricula. These skills relate to a student's competency in acquiring and processing information in the

## Standard 11

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- *incorporate selected information in the learner's knowledge*
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#### Standard 11 *Fundamental Elements* and Information Literacy

demonstrate the following attributes or activities...

adequate to support the institution's educational

#### Standard 12: General Education

#### Standard 12 Context

• enhances students' intellectual growth; and

<u>This interrelatedness is evident in the concept of "information</u> <u>literacy," which embraces all of the specific general education skills.</u>

Challenges In Implementing Information Literacy Program at Hamilton

## Self-Study Web Site:

# http://my.hamilton.edu/iss/