**UPCOMING EVENT**

**COE VISIT**

**April 24 -27, 2017**

Columbia College is pleased to announce to our students, faculty and staff members that we are getting ready to be visited by The Council on Occupational Education (COE) from April 24, 2017 to April 27, 2017.

The Council on Occupational Education, based in Atlanta, Georgia, offers quality assurance services to postsecondary technical education providers across the nation. Organized as a non-profit corporation, the mission of the Council is to assure quality and integrity in career and technical education. Services offered include institutional accreditation (recognized by the U.S. Department of Education), program quality reviews for states and technical education providers, and informational services. Most of the Council’s work is carried out by qualified professional volunteers who are experts in technical education.

The Commission will be evaluating Columbia College extensive self-study and an intensive review by a visiting team of professional educators representing the Commission’s member institutions from other states.