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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Enrollment (Headcount): 4485 Undergraduate ; 633 Graduate

Control: Public

Affiliation: None

2015 Carnegie Classification: Master's Colleges & Universities - Small Programs

Approved Degree Levels: Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (< 1 year), Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, Doctor's - Professional Practice, Doctor's - Other;

Distance Education Programs: Approved (Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies)

Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics ; Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. ; American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar ; American Board of Funeral Service Education, Committee on Accreditation ; American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology ; Council for the Accreditation of Education Preparation (CAEP)

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: North Capitol Street Center, Washington, DC.

Additional Locations: South Dakota Avenue Center (Backus), Washington, DC.

Other Instructional Sites: PR Harris, Washington, DC.

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1971

Last Reaffirmed: June 23, 2016

Most Recent Commission Action:

- June 23, 2016: To reaffirm accreditation. The date for the next accreditation review will be determined by the Commission when it revises the accreditation cycle.
- June 23, 2016: To accept the supplemental information report.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

- November 18, 2010: To accept the Periodic Review Report, to reaffirm accreditation and to request a monitoring report, due by October 1, 2011, documenting (1) further evidence of the linkage between the comprehensive institutional strategic plan to decision-making, budgeting, and resource allocation processes (Standard 2); and (2) further evidence of a comprehensive multi-year budgeting process and projections that are aligned with the institution's mission, goals, and strategic plan (Standard 3). A small team visit will follow submission of the monitoring report. To remind the institution of the pending site visits within six months of commencing operations at the following sites: (1) North Capitol Street Center, 801 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20002; (2) South Dakota Avenue Center, 5171 South Dakota Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C. 20017; and (3) The Excel Institute, 2851 V Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20018. To further remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit. To further remind the institution that the Commission reserves the right to delay or terminate accreditation processes and/or status related to an international location if it determines that security considerations would affect the safety of its staff, team members, or others. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015.
- June 23, 2011: To thank the institution for receiving the Commission's representative and to affirm the inclusion of the additional locations at North Capitol Street Center, 801 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20002 and South Dakota Avenue Center, 5171 South Dakota Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C. 20017 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the pending site visit within six months of commencing operation at The Excel Institute, 2851 V Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20018. To further remind the institution of a monitoring report, due by October 1, 2011, documenting (1) further evidence of the linkage between the comprehensive institutional strategic plan to decision-making, budgeting and resource allocation processes (Standard 2); and (2) further evidence of a comprehensive multi-year budgeting process and projections that are aligned with the institution's mission, goals, and strategic plan (Standard 3). A small team visit will follow submission of the monitoring report. To further remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit. To further remind the institution that the Commission reserves the right to delay or terminate accreditation processes

- and/or status related to an international location if it determines that security considerations would affect the safety of its staff, team members, or others. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015.
- June 28, 2011: To recognize the institution's decision not to open the additional location at The Excel Institute, 2851 V Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20018.
- March 1, 2012: To accept the monitoring report and to note the visit by the Commission's representatives. To remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit. To further remind the institution that the Commission reserves the right to delay or terminate accreditation processes and/or status related to an international location if it determines that security considerations would affect the safety of its staff, team members, or others. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015.
- September 4, 2012: To request a supplemental information report, due October 15, 2012, documenting (1) the specific reasons for the placement on warning by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (NLNAC) for non-compliance with their Standards 2, 4, and 6; (2) the impact of the action by the NLNAC on the institution, its programs, its students, and its ability to remain in compliance with relevant MSCHE Standards; and (3) an action plan and timeline indicating steps that will be taken to resolve the institution's accreditation status with the NLNAC. To remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit. To further remind the institution that the Commission reserves the right to delay or terminate accreditation processes and/or status related to an international location if it determines that security considerations would affect the safety of its staff, team members, or others. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015.
- October 11, 2012: To accept the supplemental information report. To remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit. To further remind the institution that the Commission reserves the right to delay or terminate accreditation processes and/or status related to an international location if it determines that security considerations would affect the safety of its staff, team members, or others. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015.
- January 2, 2013: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request; to re-classify the additional location at the North Capitol Street Center, 801 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002 as a branch campus; and to include provisionally the branch campus within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months. To remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit. To further remind the institution that the Commission reserves the right to delay or terminate accreditation processes and/or status related to an international location if it determines that security considerations would affect the safety of its staff, team members, or others. The next evaluation visit is scheduled

for 2014-2015.

- March 7, 2013: To accept the supplemental information report addressing the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (NLNAC) action. To remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit and to further remind the institution of the Commission's policy on international travel. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015.
- June 27, 2013: To note the visit by the Commission's representative and to affirm inclusion of the branch campus at the North Capitol Street Center, 801 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution that a visit is required at the Modern Academy additional location in Maadi, Cairo, Egypt, when security concerns permit and to further remind the institution of the Commission's policy on international travel. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2014-2015
- July 18, 2013: To grant the institution a one-year extension on the self-study. The self-study year will now be 2015-2016 with an evaluation team visit occurring during the fall semester 2015 or the spring semester 2016.
- January 5, 2015: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note that the institution has closed its additional location at Modern Academy in Maadi, Road H 304, New Maadi, Cairo Egypt. To remove this additional location from the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution that the Commission previously granted a one-year extension on the self-study. The self-study year will now be 2015-2016 with an evaluation team visit occurring during the fall semester 2015 or the spring semester 2016.
- June 26, 2015: To request a supplemental information report, due July 13, 2015, addressing the recent action of the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.
- November 19, 2015: To accept the supplemental information report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.
- March 23, 2016: Staff acted on behalf of the Commission to request a supplemental information report, due April 25, 2016, addressing the recent action of the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA).

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2025 - 2026

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DEFINITIONS

Branch Campus - A location of an institution that is geographically apart and independent of the main campus of the institution. The location is independent if the location: offers courses in educational programs leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential; has its own faculty and administrative or supervisory organization; and has its own budgetary and hiring authority.

Additional Location - A location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of an educational program. ANYA ("Approved but Not Yet Active") indicates that the location is included within the scope of accreditation but has not yet begun to offer courses. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have begun at this location.

Other Instructional Sites - A location, other than a branch campus or additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit.

Distance Education Programs - Fully Approved, Approved (one program approved) or Not Approved indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer diploma/certificate/degree programs via distance education (programs for which students could meet 50% or more of the requirements of the program by taking distance education courses). Per the Commission's Substantive Change policy, Commission approval of the first two Distance Education programs is required to be "Fully Approved." If only one program is approved by the Commission, the specific name of the program will be listed in parentheses after "Approved."

Commission actions are explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*.