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Statement of Accreditation Status

# UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE or the Commission) is one of seven regional accrediting organizations in the United States and is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). MSCHE is an institutional accreditor, therefore, it examines and reaffirms accreditation for each of its member institutions as a whole, rather than the specific programs within the institution. MSCHE does not approve individual programs. MSCHE accreditation does not expire but is reaffirmed at the time of the institution's next review.

The Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) is the Commission's official public statement about each institution's current accreditation status and scope of accreditation. The SAS also provides a brief history of the actions taken by the Commission.

**CEO:** Dr. Ronald Mason, President

**Carnegie Classification:** Master's Colleges & Universities » Small Programs

**Control:** Public

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## Accreditation Information

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**Phase:** Accredited

**Status:** Accredited

**Initial Accreditation:** 1971

**Last Reaffirmation:** 2016

**Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2024-2025**

**Next Mid-Point Peer Review: 2021**

## Accreditation Actions

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### Last 10 Years:

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#### **June 23, 2016**

To accept the supplemental information report.

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#### **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.

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#### **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).

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#### **November 19, 2015**

To accept the supplemental information report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

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#### **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.

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#### **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.

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#### **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

**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.

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**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.

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**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.

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Please see the ***Commission's Accreditation Actions Policy and Accreditation Actions Procedures***

**Substantive Change Actions**

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**Last 10 Years:**

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**July 2, 2018**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the first Post-baccalaureate Certificate program (Graduate Certificate in Adult Education) within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2024-2025.

**July 2, 2018**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the first Post-master's Certificate program (Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management and Leadership) within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2024-2025.

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**July 2, 2018**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the first Doctor's - Research/Scholarship degree program [Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering (CES)] within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2024-2025.

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**August 29, 2016**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at Hanger 2, 2801 Thomas Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20001 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. Operations at the additional location must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. The date for the next accreditation review will be determined by the Commission when it revises the accreditation cycle.

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**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.

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**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.

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**September 1, 2010**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the additional locations at (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 provisionally within the scope of the institution's accreditation, pending site visits within six months of commencing operations at the sites. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at these additional locations. In the event that operations at these additional locations do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. 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 Periodic Review Report due June 1, 2010 has been received and will be acted on by the Commission at its November meeting.

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### March 3, 2010

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the online Bachelor of Arts degree in Security Studies 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. 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. To further remind the institution that the Periodic Review Report, due June 1, 2010, should document: (1) further development and implementation of the comprehensive institutional strategic plan and evidence that it is linked to decision-making and budgeting processes, (2) development and implementation of a multi-year financial plan that is linked to the comprehensive institutional strategic plan and (3) steps taken to further implement the online Bachelor of Arts degree in Security Studies with an emphasis on the student advising process, student identity verification and enrollment management planning.

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Please see the Commission's **Substantive Change Policy** and **Substantive Change Procedures**

### Credential Levels

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- **Postsecondary Award (< 1 Year) Approval:** Approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Postsecondary Award (1-2 Yrs) Approval:** Not approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Postsecondary Award (2-4 Yrs) Approval:** Not approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Associate's Degree Or Equivalent Approval:** Approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Bachelor's Degree Or Equivalent Approval:** Approved to offer programs at this credential level

- **Post-Baccalaureate Certificate Approval:** Approved to offer ONE program at this credential level
- **Master's Degree Or Equivalent Approval :** Approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Post-Master's Certificate Approval:** Approved to offer ONE program at this credential level
- **Doctor's Degree - Other Approval:** Approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Doctor's Degree - Professional Practice Approval:** Approved to offer programs at this credential level
- **Doctor's Degree- Research/Scholarship Approval:** Approved to offer ONE program at this credential level

*The Commission does not approve individual programs or courses. All of the institution's offerings are reviewed either as part of the institution's self-study evaluation or through substantive change review and, therefore, are included within the scope of accreditation.*

## Locations

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Main Campus

### **University Of The District Of Columbia**

4200 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.

Washington, DC 20008

**OPEID:** 00144100

Branch Campus

### **North Capitol Street Center**

801 North Capitol Street, NE

Washington, DC 20002

**OPEID:** 00144103

**Opened:** 01/02/2013

Additional Location

### **Hanger 2**

2801 Thomas Avenue

Washington, DC 20001

Additional Location

**South Dakota Avenue Center (Backus)**

5171 South Dakota Avenue

Washington, DC 20017

**OPEID:** 00144104

**Opened:** 09/01/2011

Other Instructional Site

**PR Harris**

4600 Livingston RD, SE

Washington, DC 20032