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## Message from the Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees



Ten years ago, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) published a monograph entitled “Presidential Perspectives on Accreditation: A Report of the CHEA Presidents Project.” The project was designed to measure “presidential investment and interest in accreditation as a public policy issue.” It explored whether college and university presidents viewed “accreditation principally as a process that their institutions have to undergo” or “as an important defining element in the policy relationship between the higher education enterprise and society.”

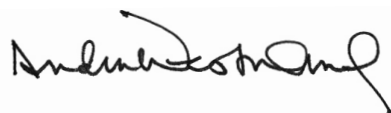
The study produced several conclusions, some of which appear to resonate today: (1) Accreditation is superior to more direct forms of government accountability. (2) How an institution benefits from accreditation rests with the president. (3) Accreditation needs to improve in the areas of evaluator training; the process could be more streamlined and cost effective. (4) Presidents support openness but are concerned about “information distortion.” (5) The accreditation process is not “well understood by the public and by constituents to whom it is supposed to assure quality.”

Included as a part of this final point in the monograph was the perception by presidents that “many among their own ranks do not sufficiently understand the process or actively invest in it at a time when clear voices are needed to protect accreditation’s integrity and standing as an element of public policy.” Perhaps this final point is the most relevant today. In an organization grounded in self-regulatory practices using standards developed and adopted by the membership, can presidents afford to not invest time? Can they abdicate responsibility for understanding accreditation’s significance as an element of public policy and for articulating to the public the value of accreditation to society?

During my six-year’s service on the Board, I have observed first hand that our process works: Board members and evaluators take their responsibilities seriously and are extremely conscientious in their deliberations and decision making to ensure integrity and standing with the public and with students. This emphasis on integrity permeates all Commission operations and sustains our organization’s credibility within the region and the nation. It is the catalyst that has successfully steered us through transitions and challenges. When presidents become involved, they understand the importance of this process and the value of accreditation to the public.

As I conclude my two-year tenure as Chair, I leave with a deep respect for all those individuals who are undaunted by challenges and make this unique form of self-regulation work. I encourage all to become involved!

Sincerely,



T. Andrew Westmoreland, Ed.D.



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## Message from the President of SACSCOC



The reauthorization of the Higher Education Act began in earnest last year though it is not expected to be completed until sometime after the 2016 presidential election. Many ideas about ways to change the relationship between the federal government and institutions of higher education have surfaced. While some are designed to enhance the relationship, the impact of others is not so clear. In either case, I spent much of the year trying to understand them all.

The United States Department of Education increased its communication with regional accreditors this past year. We were invited to meet with several members of the Department staff including the Under Secretary to discuss the following issues:

- the experimental program for competency-based education,
- the EQUIP program for non-institutional entities to obtain federal student aid,
- e-credential programs,
- the use of data for the College Scorecard and in deciphering high default rates.

Several of the issues that continue to get traction on the hill include:

- a shortened student financial aid form,
- the risk-based accreditation,
- the establishment of minimum student achievement data levels.

The six Executives of the other regional accrediting commissions and I visited with Republican members of both the House and Senate Education Committees and with several members of the Democratic Caucus to help them understand accreditation and the role it plays in determining quality in institutions of higher education.

On the home-front, the Executive Council of the SACSCOC Board approved the establishment of the Principles Review Committee and a committee to look at the relationship between the Commission and system offices that support our institutions. We continue to process nearly 3,000 substantive change requests including several that involved the merger/consolidation of several institutions.

All in all, my 11th year as your CEO has been as exciting as the first. I look forward to continuing to work with you and for you in the years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.  
President





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## Annual Report



## Philosophical Statement

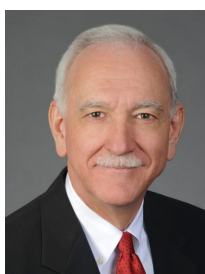
The membership of SACSCOC supports the right of an institution to pursue its established educational mission; the right of faculty to teach, investigate, and publish freely; and the right of students to access opportunities for learning and for the open exchange of ideas. The exercise of these rights, however, should not interfere with the overriding obligation of an institution to offer its students a sound education.

## Changes to SACSCOC Administrative Staff

During 2015, three new Vice Presidents joined SACSCOC to replace departing staff members. Read about John S. Hardt, Patricia L. Donat and Larry L. Earvin in the following paragraphs.

Vice Presidents Claudette Williams and Robin Hoffman resigned their positions in June and July, respectively. Dr. Carol Hollins, Director of Institutional Support: Meetings, retired in December after coordinating her 18th annual meeting. Ms. Alana Veal was promoted to Director of Professional Development and Meetings.

### Dr. John S. Hardt



Dr. John S. Hardt joined the SACSCOC staff as Vice President in January 2015. Prior to this appointment, he served two SACSCOC member institutions for more than thirty years as a faculty member and academic administrator, including a decade as Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Brevard College (NC). In this role, his priorities included faculty professional development, institutional planning, and curricular development and assessment. Earlier he served for more than twenty years at Ferrum College (VA) in a variety of faculty and administrative roles. Among his responsibilities at these two institutions, he served as the institutional accreditation liaison for more than twenty years, during which time he successfully led institutional reaccreditation efforts three times. He also served frequently as a member and chair of SACSCOC review committees. A native of Texas, Dr. Hardt earned a B.A. in English and Sociology from Centenary College of Louisiana, an M.A. in English from Texas Tech University, and a Ph.D. in American Literature from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Since earning his graduate degrees, he has participated in professional development programs at Harvard University, the National Humanities Center, and the Salzburg Institute.

### Dr. Patricia L. Donat



Dr. Patricia L. Donat has served as vice president for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges since July 2015. Prior to this appointment, she served as Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs for the University of North Georgia, during which time the institution expanded its academic programs and discipline-specific program accreditations, secured approval for a level change to doctoral granting status, received Carnegie Elective Classification for Community Engagement, and consolidated two state institutions within the University System of Georgia to become a regional multi-campus institution of approximately 16,000 students. Prior to her service as chief academic officer, she was associate vice president for academic affairs at North Georgia College & State University; and associate vice

president for academic affairs, acting dean for arts and sciences, and interim division head for education and human sciences at Mississippi University for Women. Dr. Donat received the B.A. in Psychology from the University of Northern Iowa, M.A. (Clinical Psychology) and Ph.D. (Social Psychology) from the University of North Carolina Greensboro.

Dr. Donat's professional service includes membership on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, service on numerous on-site and off-site committees, and membership on the committee that revised the 2012 edition of the Commission's *Resource Manual for the Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement*, and the presidency of the Southeastern Psychological Association. Her community engagement included presidency of the Dahlonaga Rotary Club.

### Dr. Larry L. Earvin



Dr. Larry L. Earvin has served as vice president for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges since August 2015. Prior to this appointment, he served as President and CEO of Huston-Tillotson University for 15 years, during which he led award-winning campus building renovations, enrollment increases, faculty recognitions, student initiatives, and a status change from college to university. Prior to his presidency, he was Dean of Arts and Sciences and also a senior staff member in the office of the Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs at Clark Atlanta University.

Dr. Earvin has served on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees from 2009-2013; two years on the Committees on Compliance and Reports and three years on the Executive Council—one as Vice Chair and one as Chair. The Executive Council is the executive arm of the SACSCOC Board. He is a recipient of the James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award, the Commission's highest award, for exceptional leadership and distinguished service in higher education. He holds a B.A. in business administration from Clark Atlanta University, a M.S. in urban administration and planning from Georgia State University, and the Ph.D. in American Studies from Emory University. His professional service also includes membership on the Council of Independent Colleges Board of Directors and the Amistad Research Center Board of Directors. Within the United Methodist Church, he has served as chair of the Commission on Black Colleges of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, a board member of the Committee on Planning and Implementation of the National Association of Schools and Colleges, as a board member of Educational and Institutional Insurance Administrators, the American Council on Education, the National Association for Equal Opportunities in Higher Education, the Council on Higher Education Accreditation, and the United Negro College Fund.



## Leadership, Service, and Outstanding Chair Award Recipients

At its annual meeting, SACSCOC honored seven persons with awards for leadership and high levels of volunteerism for the Commission and its membership. One individual received the Commission's highest honor—the James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award. Five people received Meritorious Service Awards, and one person was the second recipient of the Demetria N. Gibbs Outstanding Chair Award.

The James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award, named for the former executive director who served the Commission on Colleges for more than two decades, is the highest public recognition given by the Commission and is reserved for extraordinarily distinctive and effective leadership. Meritorious Service Awards are given to individuals whose volunteerism and commitment to the best principles of the academy and of accreditation personify the ideals of the Commission. The Demetria N. Gibbs Outstanding Chair Award, named after a former staff member, is given to a review committee chair who has demonstrated exceptional leadership in working with committee members. Award recipients are recognized below.

### James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award Recipient



John M. Hilpert, President *Emeritus* of Delta State University, Cleveland, Miss., received the 2015 James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award. Hilpert has been active in Commission affairs for more than ten years and has served on the Board of Trustees and the Executive Council as Chair and Vice-Chair, and as a member of the Committee on Compliance and Reports. In his work with the Executive Council, he strengthened the fiscal oversight of the Board through the establishment of a SACSCOC audit and finance committee of the Executive Council. Along with a previously-named Investment Committee of the Board, the two committees of the Council have made the SACSCOC Executive Council ultimately responsible for ensuring that financial resources support a sound Commission. In addition, under his leader-

ship, the Board of Trustees approved a number of procedures that provided institutions with flexibility to be innovative while maintaining accountability for the quality of their educational programs.

## Meritorious Service Award Recipients



**Renea Akin**

Associate Vice President  
of Learning Initiatives,  
West Kentucky Community  
and Technical College,  
Paducah, Ky.



**Harold L. Martin, Sr.**

Chancellor, North Carolina  
Agricultural and Technical  
State University,  
Greensboro, N.C.



**MaryLou Apple**

Former President, Motlow  
State Community College,  
Lynchburg, Tenn.



**Jeffrey K. Metcalf**

President, Kentucky  
Christian University,  
Grayson, Ky.



**William G. Ingram**

President, Durham Technical  
Community College,  
Durham, N.C.

## Demetria N. Gibbs Outstanding Chair Award Recipient



**Mark R. Foley**, President Emeritus, University of Mobile,  
Mobile, Ala.

*Dr. Belle Wheelan congratulates Mark R. Foley, the second  
recipient of the Demetria N. Gibbs Outstanding Chair Award.*

# SACSCOC Activities

## Accreditation Actions

The following table describes the type and number of cases of accreditation actions taken by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees since the implementation of the *Principles of Accreditation* in 2004. Note that the total number of cases beginning in 2007 increased due to the beginning of the Commission's review of unreported substantive changes submitted after the adoption in 2006 of Comprehensive Standard 3.12 on the reporting of substantive change.

| TYPE OF ACTION  | 2005       | 2006       | 2007       | 2008       | 2009       | 2010       | 2011       | 2012       | 2013       | 2014       | 2015       | Totals      |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Reaffirmation of accreditation                                  | 79         | 79         | 74         | 73         | 80         | 87         | 78         | 77         | 76         | 87         | 83         | 873         |
| Denial of reaffirmation & imposition/continuation of a sanction | 7          | 6          | 3          | 7          | 10         | 12         | 14         | 10         | 6          | 1          | 1          | 77          |
| Initial candidacy/renewal of candidacy                          | 3          | 3          | 6          | 8          | 0          | 8          | 5          | 4          | 3          | 1          | 1          | 42          |
| Initial accreditation   | 6          | 3          | 5          | 4          | 8          | 3          | 4          | 4          | 5          | 5          | 3          | 50          |
| Removal from candidacy/denial of accreditation                  | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           |
| Approval of change of degree level                              | 11         | 12         | 18         | 13         | 15         | 19         | 19         | 14         | 21         | 8          | 14         | 164         |
| Approval of other substantive changes                           | 7          | 0          | 11         | 3          | 12         | 5          | 9          | 17         | 14         | 7          | 12         | 97          |
| Deny approval of substantive change                             | 7          | 8          | 7          | 6          | 9          | 7          | 5          | 7          | 8          | 6          | 11         | 81          |
| Substantive change review by a committee                        | 20         | 17         | 69         | 32         | 35         | 32         | 39         | 42         | 39         | 44         | 65         | 434         |
| Review of unreported substantive change                         | NA         | NA         | 51         | 78         | 58         | 57         | 41         | 19         | 21         | 27         | 23         | 375         |
| Review of Monitoring & Referral Reports *                       | 113        | 130        | 100        | 100        | 174        | 187        | 206        | 209        | 184        | 172        | 169        | 1744        |
| Review of Fifth-Year Interim Reports **                         | NA         | NA         | NA         | 45         | 71         | 74         | 80         | 67         | 73         | 76         | 79         | 565         |
| Removal from sanction   | 6          | 16         | 12         | 8          | 12         | 10         | 12         | 15         | 18         | 8          | 4          | 121         |
| Imposition/continuation of Warning                              | 12         | 13         | 10         | 12         | 10         | 15         | 15         | 18         | 13         | 11         | 17         | 146         |
| Imposition/continuation of Probation                            | 4          | 3          | 6          | 7          | 4          | 6          | 2          | 1          | 0          | 3          | 3          | 39          |
| Imposition/continuation of Probation with good cause            | 8          | 2          | 5          | 4          | 3          | 2          | 8          | 8          | 4          | 5          | 4          | 53          |
| Action on removal from accreditation                            | 0          | 0          | 1          | 0          | 1          | 1          | 0          | 3          | 1          | 2          | 0          | 9           |
| Appeals of adverse actions                                      | 0          | 0          | 1          | 0          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 0          | 7           |
| <b>TOTAL CASES</b>  | <b>283</b> | <b>292</b> | <b>379</b> | <b>400</b> | <b>503</b> | <b>526</b> | <b>538</b> | <b>516</b> | <b>487</b> | <b>464</b> | <b>489</b> | <b>4877</b> |

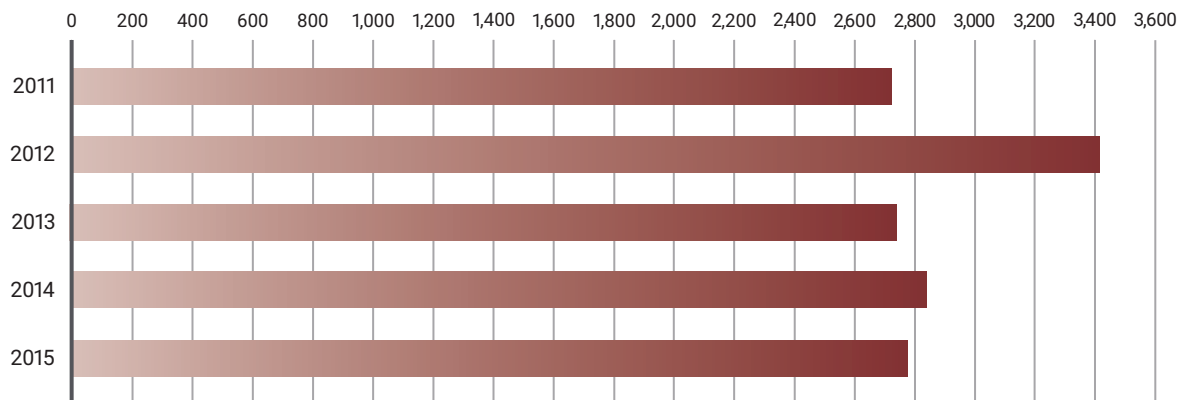
\* Referral reports are those reviewed by the Board of Trustees following review and referral by the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports. These reports were first reviewed by the Board in June 2009.

\*\* The review of Fifth-Year Interim Reports began in December 2008.



## Substantive Change Information

### Total Number of Submissions (2011–2015)



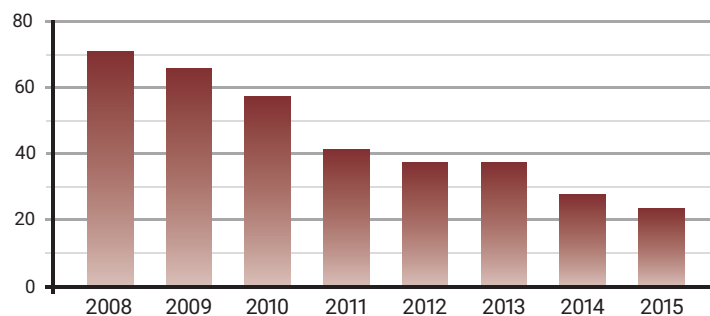
From 2011 to 2015, SACSCOC received an average of more than 2,800 submissions annually from member institutions.

### Types of Substantive Change Submissions (2011-2015)

| Submission Type       | 2011  | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Prospectus            | 501   | 526   | 507   | 519   | 543   |
| Follow-Up Information | 436   | 273   | 287   | 167   | 270   |
| Notification          | 1,842 | 2,394 | 1,479 | 1,716 | 1,512 |
| For C&R Review        | 99    | 129   | 97    | 49    | 87    |
| Teach-out Plans       | 19    | 118   | 177   | 147   | 213   |

Not included in these numbers are requests for verification of accreditation sites, new programs, and other types of substantive changes from governmental agencies.

### Number of Unreported Substantive Change Cases (2011-2015)



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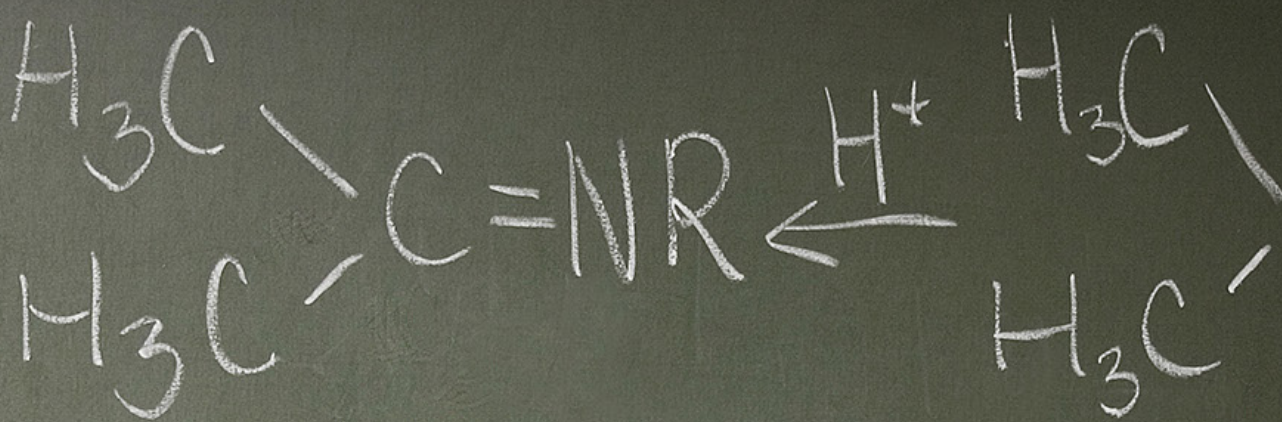
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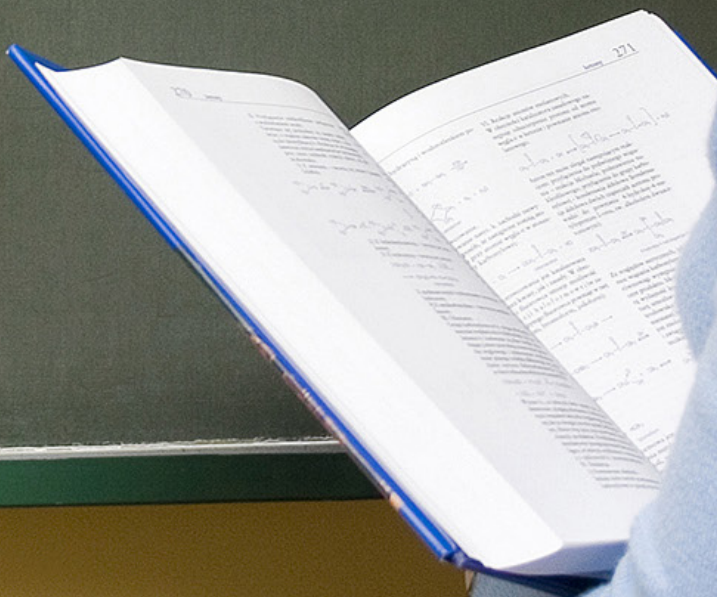
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Sessions of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees,  
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# Minutes of the Business Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges—June 11, 2015

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. at the Renaissance Portsmouth Waterfront Hotel in Portsmouth, Virginia. Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Samford University, presided. Dr. Mark Keenum, President of Mississippi State University, served as Vice Chair.

Vice-Chair Keenum called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance:

Rebecca G. Adams, Professor of Sociology and Gerontology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, North Carolina; James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Elizabeth M. Bejar, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Florida International University, Miami, Florida; Nathaniel L. Bishop, President, Jefferson College of Health Sciences, Roanoke, Virginia; A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina; Ronnie L. Booth, President, Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, South Carolina; Trina B. Boteler, Executive Vice President, Chattahoochee Technical College, North Metro Campus, Acworth, Georgia; Timothy S. Brophy, Professor, Music Education and Director of Institutional Assessment, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida; Jimmy M. Cairo, Dean, School of Allied Health Professions, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, Louisiana; W. Todd Carlisle, Esq., Chief Executive Officer, Sirote & Permutt, PC, Birmingham, Alabama; Nancy Clutts, Partner, The Corbin Group, Tavares, Florida; Glenda F. Colagross, Interim President, Southern Union State Community College, Opelika, Alabama; MaryAnn Coleman, President

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The Board approved the minutes of its December 2014 Executive Business Meeting. Copies of the minutes of the December 2014 and March 2015 Executive Council meetings were presented to the Board as information.



## Report from the Chair

Chair Westmoreland reported that during its meetings on June 9–10, 2015, the Executive Council discussed or took action on the following items:

1. Approved the 2015–2016 Commission budget.
2. Received a report from the Commission's investment company, Fifth-Third Investment Management Group.
3. Reviewed staff reports on the following: (1) Small College Initiative session held on April 13, 2015, focusing on the completion agenda; (2) an overview of the strategic plan activities; (3) substantive change activities; (4) training and research summaries on findings from eight surveys; (5) a mid-year update from the Peer Review Advisory Board; and (6) a report from the National Student Clearinghouse Completion & Persistence Metrics as applied to Level I institutions.
4. Reviewed Vision Statement developed by the Council in March and forwarded it to the Board for endorsement: "To serve as the premier model for shaping and ensuring the quality of higher education throughout the world."
5. Reviewed the results of the Transparency Survey sent to the membership to solicit comments regarding examples of how SACSCOC could best publicize actions taken by the Board on the accreditation of institutions. Of the 353 members who completed the survey, 264, or 75%, favored the continued use of SACSCOC current disclosure statement. 18% favored the Commission posting institutional notification letters on the SACSCOC website; and 7% had suggestions other than the two options. The Council decided to continue with its current practice.
6. Announced that Sandra Jordan, Chancellor of the University of South Carolina—Aiken, would chair the Principles Review Committee scheduled to convene fall 2015. This scheduled review of the memberships' accreditation standards will examine relevancy and flexibility of

the standards with the goal of continuing rigor and accountability while supporting innovation and a changing higher education landscape. The Committee will be asked to consider findings/recommendations of several study committees currently reviewing issues that could affect standards and policies; a recently approved interpretation to Core Requirement 2.7.1 dealing with program length; accreditation implications on dual enrollment programs offered for high school students; standards and policies addressing consortial arrangements and contractual agreements; and data received from the National Clearinghouse regarding completion data of SACSCOC institutions for 4-year and 6-year outcomes. The Committee also will solicit comments from the membership and public.

In addition, Chair Westmoreland updated the Board on the appointment of two *ad hoc* committees:

1. At its meeting in March, the Executive Council authorized a committee to review the current structure of the Board of Trustees. The current structure has been in place for 25 years, without study. This Committee, to be composed of current and former board members, will conduct a study to ensure that the composition of the Board adequately represents SACSCOC current membership and continues to effectively support all Board functions. Council member Nancy Moody, President of Tusculum College, will serve as chair of that Committee.
2. Upon the endorsement of the Council, Commission staff has constituted a committee of representatives from our public governing boards/systems for the purpose of soliciting ways to inform systems offices of the work of SACSCOC and to generate discussion on how to support institutions against legislative intrusion and external pressures. A committee, chaired by Council member Ed Meadows, President of Pensacola State College, met on April 30, 2015, and the meeting resulted

in a number of ideas. A white paper will be developed and submitted to the Council at its meeting in December.

The Chair called on SACSCOC legal counsel, Mr. Patrick McKee, to update the Board on current litigation and other legal matters.

The Chair also recognized the retirement of Board members Karen Helm who had served three, three-year terms on the Board and Katharine Johnson, who completed two, three-year terms.

### Report from the President

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, thanked Board members and staff for their support and assistance. She expressed appreciation to the Council and C&R readers for their diligence and time in preparing for and making decisions regarding policies and the accreditation of institutions. She presented the Commission's budget and thanked the Council for its continuing support of her leadership.

### Actions on the Accreditation of Institutions

At its meeting on June 11, 2015, the SACSCOC Board of Trustees took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions. The list *does not include* the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring, referral, or special reports, unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

#### The Board reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

- **Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences**, Memphis, Tenn.
- **Birmingham-Southern College**, Birmingham, Ala.
- **Bishop State Community College**, Mobile, Ala.

- **Blinn College**, Brenham, Tex.
- **Blue Ridge Community College**, Weyers Cave, Va.
- **Catawba Valley Community College**, Hickory, N.C.
- **Central Alabama Community College**, Alexander City, Ala.
- **Central Texas College**, Killeen, Tex.
- **Central Virginia Community College**, Lynchburg, Va.
- **Clear Creek Baptist Bible College**, Pineville, Ky.
- **Collin College**, McKinney, Tex.
- **Columbus Technical College**, Columbus, Ga.
- **Copiah-Lincoln Community College**, Wesson, Miss.
- **Denmark Technical College**, Denmark, S.C.
- **Edward Waters College**, Jacksonville, Fla.
- **Galveston College**, Galveston, Tex.
- **Guilford Technical Community College**, Jamestown, N.C.
- **Jarvis Christian College**, Hawkins, Tex.
- **Judson College**, Marion, Ala.
- **Lamar Institute of Technology**, Beaumont, Tex.
- **Lamar State College-Orange**, Orange, Tex.
- **Lees-McRae College**, Banner Elk, N.C.
- **Louisiana State University at Alexandria**, Alexandria, La.
- **Marion Military Institute**, Marion, Ala.
- **Mayland Community College**, Spruce Pine, N.C.
- **Miami Dade College**, Miami, Fla.
- **Mid-Atlantic Christian University**, Elizabeth City, N.C.
- **North Florida Community College**, Madison, Fla.
- **Northeast Alabama Community College**, Rainsville, Ala.
- **South College**, Knoxville, Tenn.

- **Southwest Tennessee Community College**, Memphis, Tenn.
- **Stanly Community College**, Albemarle, N.C.
- **State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota**, Bradenton, Fla.
- **Tallahassee Community College**, Tallahassee, Fla.
- **Texas State Technical College—Harlingen**, Harlingen, Tex.
- **Texas State Technical College—West Texas**, Sweetwater, Tex.
- **Wake Technical Community College**, Raleigh, N.C.
- **Wallace State Community College**, Hanceville, Ala.
- **Watkins College of Art, Design & Film**, Nashville, Tenn.
- **Wilson Community College**, Wilson, N.C.
- **Wiregrass Georgia Technical College**, Valdosta, Ga.

**The Board reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institution and removed it from sanction:**

- **Cleveland State Community College**, Cleveland, Tenn. (removed from Warning)

**The Board granted initial accreditation as a separate entity to each of the following institutions:**

- **Southern University Law Center**, Baton Rouge, La. (Level V)
- **The University of Tennessee Health Science Center**, Memphis, Tenn. (Level VI)

**The Board granted candidacy status to the following institution (Candidacy is effective June 11, 2015):**

- **Oconee Fall Line Technical College**, Sandersville, Ga. (Level I)

**The Board authorized a Candidate Committee visit to the following institution:**

- **Northeast Lakeview College**, Universal City, Tex. (Level I)

**The Board accredited the following member institutions at a new or a more advanced degree level:**

- **Athens State University**, Athens, Ala.— Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Science in Global Logistics and Supply Chain Management (Effective: January 2016)
- **Bainbridge State College**, Bainbridge, Ga.— Moved from Level I to Level II offering the Bachelor of Science with a major in Management (Effective: Fall 2015)
- **Georgia Military College**, Milledgeville, Ga.— Moved from Level I to Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management, and in Business Management (Effective: October 2015)
- **Jefferson College of Health Sciences**, Roanoke, Va.— Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Health Sciences, Doctor of Nursing Practice, and Doctor of Occupational Therapy (Effective: Fall 2016)
- **Milligan College**, Milligan College, Tenn.— Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Ministry (Effective: July 2015)
- **Wayland Baptist University**, Plainview, Tex.— Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Management (Effective: August 2015)

**The Board approved the following substantive changes:**

- **Erskine College**, Due West, S.C.— Approved the online delivery of the Master of Arts in Theological Studies (Effective: Fall 2015)
- **Keiser University**, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.— Approved the acquisition of an off-campus instructional site—Northwood University (Effective: July 2015)

- **Lord Fairfax Community College**, Middletown, Va.— Approved the following competency-based direct assessment programs: Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Management; Associate of Applied Science in Information Systems Technology; Certificates in Office Systems Assistant, Cyber Security, Hospital Facility Coding, Information Processing Technician, and in Networking Specialist (Effective: August 2015)

**The Board accepted the prospectus for merger/consolidation of the following institutions:**

- **South College**, Knoxville, Tenn.— Accepted the prospectus for the merger/consolidation of South College and South College—Asheville

**The Board approved the merger/consolidation of the following institutions:**

- **Milligan College**, Milligan College, Tenn.— The merger/consolidation of Milligan College and Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Johnson City, Tenn. (Effective: July 2015)
- **Southern Regional Technical College**, Thomasville, Ga.— The merger/consolidation of Southwest Georgia Technical College with Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, Ga., to be called Southern Regional Technical College (Effective: July 2015)
- **Texas State Technical College**, Waco, Tex.— The merger/consolidation of Texas State Technical College Harlingen, Texas State Technical College Waco, Texas State Technical College Marshall, and Texas State Technical College West Texas, to be called Texas State Technical College (Effective: July 10, 2015)

**The Board continued the accreditation of the following institutions after a Substantive Change Committee conducted an on-site review of a previously approved change:**

- **Asbury University**, Wilmore, Ky.— Review of the Educational Specialist (Ed.S.) in Principal Preparation/Instructional/Educational Leadership program
- **Cedar Valley College**, Lancaster, Tex.— Review of an off-campus instructional site: Kathryn Joy Gilliam Academy, Dallas, Tex.
- **Coastal Carolina University**, Conway, S.C.— Review of membership at Level V, offering the Ph.D. in Marine Science: Coastal and Marine Systems Science
- **Duke University**, Durham, N.C.— (1) Review of Master of Management Science, Master of Science in Global Health, Master of Science in Medical Physics, and undergraduate study abroad courses offered at the off-campus instructional site in Kunshan, China, and (2) Review of the joint degree agreement with the National University of Singapore for the Doctor of Medicine offered at an off-campus instructional site in Singapore. The review was conducted as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report.
- **El Paso County Community College District**, El Paso, Tex.— Review of 12 off-campus instructional sites offering dual enrollment: El Paso High School, El Paso; Canutillo High School, Canutillo; Cathedral High School, El Paso; Coronado High School, El Paso; Hanks High School, El Paso; and Eastwood High School, El Paso. The Committee also recommended approval of The Center for Career and Technology Education, an off-campus instructional site located in El Paso, Tex.
- **Florida Southern College**, Lakeland, Fla.— Review of membership at Level V offering the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership
- **Galveston College**, Galveston, Tex.— Review of a dual enrollment off-campus instructional site: Ball High School, Galveston, Tex.

- **George Mason University**, Fairfax, Va.— Review of a branch campus: Songdo Campus, Incheon, Korea
- **Haywood Community College**, Clyde, N.C.— Review of the following off-campus instructional site conducted as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Pisgah High School, Canton, N.C.
- **Henderson Community College**, Henderson, Ky.— Review of an off-campus instructional site: Herron Center, Morganfield, Ky.
- **Jefferson State Community College**, Birmingham, Ala.— Review of the following off-campus instructional sites: Chilton-Clanton Center, Clanton, Alabama and St. Clair-Pell City Center, Pell City, Ala.
- **Kilgore College**, Kilgore, Tex.— Review of the following off-campus instructional site conducted as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Hallsville High School, Hallsville, Tex.
- **King University**, Bristol, Tenn.— Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice
- **Mary Baldwin College**, Staunton, Va.— Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy and the Doctor of Occupational Therapy at an off-campus instructional site located in Fishersville, Va.
- **Palm Beach Atlantic University**, West Palm Beach, Fla.— Review of the following off-campus instructional site: Memorial Presbyterian Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.
- **Pasco-Hernando State College**, New Port Richey, Fla.— Review of a new branch campus: The Porter Campus at Wiregrass Ranch in Wesley Chapel, Fla.
- **River Parishes Community College**, Gonzales, La.— Review of the following Louisiana off-campus instructional sites conducted as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Lutchter High School, Lutchter; St. James High School, St. James; St. James Science and Math Academy, Vacherie; and St. James Career and Technology Center, Lutchter
- **Rappahannock Community College**, Glenss, Va.— Review of the following Virginia off-campus instructional sites conducted as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: King George High School, King George; Kilmarnock Center, Kilmarnock; Gloucester High School, Gloucester; Bridging Communities Regional Career Technical Center, New Kent; Lancaster High School, Lancaster; Mathews High School, Mathews; and West Point High School, West Point
- **Rollins College**, Winter Park, Fla.— Review of membership at Level V offering the Executive Doctorate in Business Administration
- **South Florida State College**, Avon Park, Fla.— Review of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education
- **Southeastern Technical College**, Vidalia, Ga.— Review of program expansion to include the Associate of Science in Nursing program
- **Southeastern University**, Lakeland, Fla.— Review of (1) membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Education and (2) the Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- **Southwestern Assemblies of God University**, Waxahachie, Tex.— Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctorate of Ministry in Leadership and Creative Communication
- **Texas State Technical College Marshall**, Marshall, Tex.— Review of an off-campus instructional site: Texas State Technical College North Texas Center, Red Oak, Tex.
- **Texas Wesleyan University**, Fort Worth, Tex.— Review of the following off-campus instructional sites where the Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia is offered to students via two-way interactive video: (1) On-Site Reviews—Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton, Ohio; St. Elizabeth Medical Center & Bethesda North Hospital and Good Samaritan Hospital, Edgewood, Ky.; Mobile



Infirmiry Medical Center, Mobile, Ala.; (2) Virtual Reviews—Stormont-Vail Healthcare, Topeka, Kans.; St. Alexius Medical Center, Bismarck, N.D.; Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, Colton, Calif.; and Denver Health Medical Center and University of Colorado Medical Center, Englewood, Colo.

- **Truett-McConnell College**, Cleveland, Ga.— Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Arts in Theology
- **Wayland Baptist University**, Plainview, Tex.— Review of the following off-campus instructional sites conducted as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Doyon Facility, Fairbanks, Alaska; Alamo University Center, Live Oak, Tex.; San Antonio Campus at the University Center at Harlingen, Harlingen, Tex.; and Valley Baptist Mission Education Center, Harlingen, Tex.
- **Western Piedmont Community College**, Morganton, N.C.— Review of an off-campus instructional site: Foothills Higher Education Center, Morganton, N.C.

## Sanctions and other Negative Actions

**The Board denied approval to offer educational programs at a new or more advanced degree level for the following member institutions:**

- **Middle Georgia State College**, Macon, Ga.— Denied approval of membership at Level III to offer the Master of Information Technology. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.4 (Post-baccalaureate program requirements), and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Board denied approval of substantive change for the following member institutions:**

- **The Art Institute of Atlanta**, Atlanta, Ga.— Denied approval of the following baccalaureate programs: Bachelor of Fine Arts in Professional Writing for Creative Arts, Bachelor of Arts in Instructional Technology and Design, Bachelor of Arts in Marketing and Entertainment Management, and Bachelor of Science in Software Development for Creative Technologies. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic program coordination), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal degrees of faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.11.3 (Physical facilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **The Art Institute of Houston**, Houston, Tex.— Denied approval of the following baccalaureate programs: Bachelor of Science in Marketing and Entertainment Management, Bachelor of Science in Instructional Technology and Design, and the Bachelor of Science in Software Development for Creative Technologies. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic program coordination), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal degrees of faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence), and Comprehensive

Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

- **Bryan College**, Dayton, Tenn.— Denied approval of a waiver of Comprehensive Standard 3.5.2 (Institutional credits for a degree) to teach out students from Tennessee Temple University, an institution not accredited by SACSCOC with a scheduled closing of June 2015. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standard as it relates to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.5.2 (Institutional credits for a degree) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **ECPI University**, Virginia Beach, Va.— Denied approval to acquire the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program and a branch campus from Remington College in Lake Mary, Fla. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they apply to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.3 (Admissions policies), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.4 (Acceptance of academic credit), and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Miami International University of Art & Design**, Miami, Fla.— Denied approval of the following baccalaureate programs: (1) Bachelor of Fine Arts in Professional Writing for Creative Arts, (2) Bachelor of Science in Instructional Technology and Design, (3) Bachelor of Science in Marketing and Entertainment Management, and (4) Bachelor of Science in Software Development for Creative Technologies. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic program coordination), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal degrees of faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Shorter University**, Rome, Ga.— Denied approval of a waiver of Comprehensive Standard 3.5.2 (Institutional credits for a degree) to teach out students from Tennessee Temple University, an institution not accredited by SACSCOC, with a scheduled closing of June 2015. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standard as it relates to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.5.2 (Institutional credits for a degree) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **South University**, Savannah, Ga.— Denied approval of the following baccalaureate programs: (1) Bachelor of Fine Arts in Professional Writing for Creative Arts to be offered at Art Institute of Dallas, (2) Bachelor of Arts in Instructional Technology and Design to be offered at the Art Institute of Dallas, (3) Bachelor of Arts in Marketing and Entertainment Management to be offered at the Art Institute of Dallas, and (4) Bachelor of Science in Software Development for Creative Technologies to be offered at the Art Institute of Dallas. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change for the approval: Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal degrees of faculty), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Board continued the accreditation of the following institutions and placed them on Warning:**

- **St. Catharine College**, St. Catharine, Ky.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.2 (Financial aid audits), Comprehensive Standard 3.13.3 (Policy compliance: Complaint procedures against SACSCOC or its accredited institutions), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Tuskegee University**, Tuskegee, Ala.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic program coordination), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.2 (Financial aid audits), Comprehensive Standard 3.13.1 (Policy compliance: Complaint procedures against SACSCOC or its accredited institutions), Federal Requirement 4.1 (Student achievement), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Virginia State University**, Petersburg, Va.— For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic program coordination), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.2 (Financial aid audits), Federal Requirement 4.5 (Student complaints), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Board continued the accreditation of the following institutions and continued them on Warning:**

- **Alabama State University**, Montgomery, Ala.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds) and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Allen University**, Columbia, S.C.— For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Kentucky Wesleyan College**, Owensboro, Ky.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Board continued the accreditation of the following institution and placed it on Probation:**

- **The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, Chapel Hill, N.C.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Principle 1.1 (Integrity), Core Requirement 2.7.2 (Program content), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.11 (Control of intercollegiate athletics), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.9

(Academic support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.4 (Academic freedom), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.5 (Faculty role in governance), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. The Committee authorized a Special Committee to visit the institution.

**The Board continued the accreditation of the following institution and continued it on Probation:**

- **Louisiana College**, Pineville, La.— For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.2.4 (External influence) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Board continued accreditation for Good Cause and placed the following institutions on Probation:**

- **Bauder College**, Atlanta, Ga.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. The Committee authorized a Special Committee to visit the institution.
- **Bluefield College**, Bluefield, Va.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. The Committee authorized a Special Committee to visit the institution.

**The Board continued accreditation for Good Cause and continued the following institutions on Probation:**

- **Paine College**, Augusta, Ga.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. The Committee authorized a Special Committee to visit the institution.
- **South Carolina State University**, Orangeburg, S.C.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. The Committee authorized a Special Committee to visit the institution.

In accordance with the “Standing Rules of SACS Commission on Colleges,” members of the Board abstained from vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and any other identified or recognized conflicts of interest.

In the absence of Andrea Mayfield, Chair of the Committee to Review Fifth-Year Interim Reports, Glenda Colagross, C&R Chair, reported on the review of 42 Track B institutions that make up the 2019 reaffirmation class.

There being no further business, Chair Westmoreland adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

# Minutes of the Business Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges—December 6, 2015

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Sunday, December 6, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. at the Hilton Americas-Houston, Houston, Texas. Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Samford University, presided. Dr. Mark Keenum, President of Mississippi State University, served as Vice Chair.

Vice-Chair Keenum called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: Rebecca G. Adams, Professor of Sociology and Gerontology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, North Carolina; David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Elizabeth M. Bejar, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Florida International University, Miami, Florida; Nathaniel L. Bishop, President, Jefferson College of Health Sciences, Roanoke, Virginia; A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina; Ronnie L. Booth, President, Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, South Carolina; Trina B. Boteler, Executive Vice President, Chattahoochee Technical College, North Metro Campus, Acworth, Georgia; Timothy S. Brophy, Professor, Music Education and Director of Institutional Assessment, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida; Jimmy M. Cairo, Dean, School of Allied Health Professions, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, Louisiana; Nancy Clutts, Partner, The Corbin Group, Tavares, Florida; Glenda F. Colagross, Interim President, Southern Union State Community College, Opelika, Alabama; MaryAnn Coleman, President and CEO, Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Kandi W. Deitemeyer, President, College of The Albemarle,

Elizabeth City, North Carolina; Ruth S. Feiock, Assistant Vice President, Planning and Programs, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technology, Universidad de Monterrey, San Pedro Garza Garcia, Mexico; Judy T. Gooch, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Richard J. Gough, President, Technical College of the Lowcountry, Beaufort, South Carolina; Mary S. Graham, President, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Perkinston, Mississippi; Nancy Oliver Gray, President, Hollins University, Roanoke, Virginia; Kimberly B. Hall, Executive Vice President/Provost, South College, Knoxville, Tennessee; Natalie J. Harder, Chancellor, South Louisiana Community College, Lafayette, Louisiana; Sandra S. Harper, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Marcia A. Hawkins, President, Union College, Barbourville, Kentucky; Brenda L. Hellyer, Chancellor, San Jacinto College, Pasadena, Texas; W. Briggs Hopson, III, Esq., MS State Senator for District 23, Partner, Teller, Hassell & Hopson, Vicksburg, Mississippi; Larry D. Hostetter, President, Brescia University, Owensboro, Kentucky; Dana L. Hoyt, President, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas; Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., President, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, South Carolina; Thomas J. Hynes, Jr., President, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia; G. David Johnson, Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama; Peter Grant Jordan, President, Tarrant County College—South Campus, Fort Worth, Texas; Sandra J. Jordan, Chancellor, University of South Carolina—Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Brenda



S. Kays, President, Stanly Community College, Albemarle, North Carolina; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; Flavius C. Killebrew, President/CEO, Texas A&M University—Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas; Chuck Knepfle, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management, Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina; S. Craig Long, Performance Solutions by Milliken Fellow, Milliken Corporation, Spartanburg, South Carolina; S. David Mash, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lander University, Greenwood, South Carolina; Terry M. McConathy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; Johnette McKown, President, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Carolyn W. Meyers, President, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi; Charles R. Mojock, President, Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg, Florida; Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee; Joseph (“Jay”) A. Morgan, Vice President for Academic Affairs/CPE, Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky; Bruce T. Murphy, President, Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, Louisiana; M. Duane Nellis, President, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas; John Randolph Nelson, Attorney at Law, Lynchburg, Virginia; James S. Netherton, Executive Vice President for Administration and Finance, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia; D. Ray Perren, President, Lanier Technical College, Oakwood, Georgia; Alfred Rankins, Jr., President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Mississippi; Brenda Hyde Rogers, Education Consultant, Retired, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Edward L. Schrader, President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia; Madison C. Silvert, President/CEO, Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation, Owensboro, Kentucky; John S. Smarrelli, Jr.,

President, Christian Brothers University, Memphis, Tennessee; Loren E. Swartzendruber, President, Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia; Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; L. Anthony Wise, Jr., President, Pellissippi State Community College, Knoxville, Tennessee; T. Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Daniel A. Wubah, Provost, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia; and Alissa L. Young, Chief Academic Affairs Officer, Hopkinsville Community College, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

The following Board members were not in attendance: James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; James B. Borsig, President, Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, Mississippi; W. Todd Carlisle, Esq., Chief Executive Officer, Sirote & Permutt, PC, Birmingham, Alabama; Joseph A. DiPietro, President, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Timothy P. McNamara, Vice Provost for Faculty and International Affairs, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

A special welcome was extended to James Borsig, Madison Silvert, and Alissa Young, newly-appointed members of the Board of Trustees.

The Board approved the minutes of its June 2015 Executive Business Session. Copies of the minutes of the June 2015 Executive Council meeting were presented to the Board as information.

## Report from the Chair

Chair Westmoreland reported to the Board that during sessions on December 4–6, 2015, the Executive Council reviewed the following reports/took the following actions:

- The Council reviewed and commented on the following staff reports: Annual Applicant and Candidate Institutions Report, Annual Report on

Substantive Change, the SACSCOC Peer Review Advisory Board Report, Research from the Office of Training and Research, and an update on SACSCOC Strategic Plan.

- The Council received and approved the 2015 audit and the 990 Form.
- The Council received a report from its Investment Committee, chaired by Council member Flavius Killebrew, and reported on the Investment Review from the Fifth Third Institutional Services, SACSCOC's investment company.
- The Council received a report from its Audit and Finance Committee, chaired by Council member Ed Meadows.
- The Council received the Report of the SACSCOC Systems Committee. This Committee, comprised of representatives from governance systems in each of SACSCOC 11 states, is charged to study operational issues from the system that affect how SACSCOC accredited institutions work with the Commission. SACSCOC accredits institutions, not systems. But some issues of institutional compliance are affected by systems procedures and policies. During the Annual Meeting, the Committee met to receive feedback from the Council. An updated Working Paper will be referred to the Council at its spring meeting. Council member Terry McConathy will chair the committee, replacing Ed Meadows, who rotates off the Board December 31, 2015.
- The Council received a Report from the Committee to Study the SACSCOC Board Structure. This Committee, comprised of retired Board members and Chairs, was charged to conduct a study of the composition of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees to ensure that it represents the current membership, and to submit a report to the Council and the Board for review with final recommendations forwarded to the membership in December 2016. It has been 25 years since such a study was conducted. The recommendation of the Council will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees at its meeting

in June 2016. Council member Nancy Moody chairs the committee.

- The Council received a preliminary report from the newly-appointed *Principles* Review Committee and voted to extend their work by one year so that the membership receives and votes on recommended changes to the standards in December 2017. Initially, the Committee was to provide recommendations to the Board in June 2016 and to the membership in December 2016; however, because Congress has not yet reauthorized the Higher Education Act and it is very likely that the change in law and its attending regulations will affect SACSCOC standards, the Council voted to extend the study. Council member Sandra Jordan chairs the Committee.
- The Council reviewed three policies and one guideline statement and forwarded them to the Board for final action.
- The Council took action on the Reports of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and forwarded the Reports to the Board for final action. No changes were made to the recommendations.

In addition, Chair Westmoreland called on SACSCOC legal counsel, Mr. Patrick McKee, for a report to the Board.

Chair Westmoreland also confirmed the 2016 meeting dates of the Board: Spring Meeting of the Executive Council—March 15–17, Myrtle Beach, S.C.; Summer Meeting—June 13–16, Memphis, Tenn.; and Annual Meeting—December 2–7, Atlanta, Ga.

## **Recognition of Outgoing SACSCOC Board of Trustees**

The Chair recognized Board members whose terms expire December 2015 and commended them for their many contributions. Retiring Trustees included the following: Trina Boteler, Todd Carlisle, MaryAnn Coleman, Benito Flores, Judy Gooch, Jairy Hunter, Ed Meadows, Chuck

Mojock, and Brenda Hyde Rogers. Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACSCOC, presented gifts of appreciation to each of the retiring members for their many years of service on the Board. She also presented a special gift in appreciation of the leadership of Chair Andrew Westmoreland, who completed seven years as a Board member and two years as Chair of the Board.

### **Report from the SACSCOC President**

Wheelan continued with her presentation by expressing her appreciation to all Board members and C&R Chairs for their dedication and service and for their support. She updated the Board on financial and budget issues, investments, the strategic plan, new administrative staff, the activities of the Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions, and the Summer Institute. She also presented an overview of the issues regarding the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act and the focus on regional accreditation.

### **Report of the Nominating Committee regarding Nominees to the Board of Trustees and Election of the 2016 Executive Council**

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the SACSCOC's Nominating Committee, chaired by Dr. William Luckey, President, Lindsey Wilson College, and approved the following list of Board members to serve on the 2016 Executive Council of SACSCOC Board of Trustees: Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi (Chair); Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee (Vice Chair); A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina; Franklyn M. Casale, President, St. Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; W. Briggs

Hopson, III, Attorney, Teller, Hassell & Hopson, Vicksburg, Mississippi (Public Representative); Larry D. Hostetter, President, Brescia University, Owensboro, Kentucky; Sandra J. Jordan, Chancellor, University of South Carolina—Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Flavius C. Killebrew, President, Texas A&M University—Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas; Terry M. McConathy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; D. Ray Perren, President, Lanier Technical College, Oakwood, Georgia; Alfred Rankins, Jr., President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Mississippi; and Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia.

The reports from the SACSCOC Nominating Committee regarding nominees to the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly, and the SACS Board of Trustees were presented as information and have been forwarded to the College Delegate Assembly for final vote. Chair Westmoreland thanked the members of the 2015 Executive Council for coordinating the nominating processes in their respective states.

### **Report of the Nominating Committee for Chairs of the 2016 Committees on Compliance and Reports**

SACSCOC Nominating Committee for Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports, chaired by Board member Trina Boteler and comprised of select Board members completing their final terms at this meeting, presented its slate of nominees. The Board approved the following members to serve as chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports for 2016:

- For re-election: Timothy Brophy, University of Florida, Florida; Glenda Colagross, Southern Union State University, Alabama; Nancy Oliver Gray, Hollins University, Virginia; and Sandra Harper, McMurry University, Texas.

- For election: Timothy McNamara, Vanderbilt University, Tennessee and Bruce Murphy, Nicholls State University, Louisiana

## **Actions on SACSCOC Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices**

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees took the following actions regarding Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. "Guidelines for Addressing Requests for Data/ Research Assistance." The new guidelines outline the protocol and disclosure procedures for research assistance provided by SACSCOC to graduate students from SACSCOC-accredited institutions and faculty members working on scholarly projects directly related to accreditation topics.
2. "Accreditation Procedures for Applicant Institutions." The revised policy focuses exclusively on applicant institutions with no status with the Commission. The changes remove references to procedures for components of current SACSCOC-accredited institutions that are seeking separate accreditation.
3. "Separate Accreditation for Units of a Member Institution." The revised policy focuses exclusively on units of SACSCOC-accredited institutions that are seeking separate accreditation from the parent campus. The policy includes all procedures relating to separate accreditation and excludes all references to procedures that were formerly part of the policy for applicant institutions. In addition, it streamlines the process for a unit now accredited through its affiliation with its parent campus but wants to seek separation.
4. "Mergers, Consolidations, Change of Ownership, Acquisitions, and Change of Governance, Control, Form, or Legal Status." The revised policy allows a newly-merged institution to maintain the reaffirmation cycle of the major component when the merged

institutions, or the major component of the newly-merged institution, have successfully attained reaffirmation of accreditation within three years of SACSCOC Board approval of the merger. When this is not the case, the newly-merged entity will continue to be required to seek reaffirmation of accreditation within five years of approval of the merger.

## **Actions on the Accreditation of Institutions**

The Board of Trustees of SACSCOC took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions reviewed in December 2015. The list does not include the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports, unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

### **The Board reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:**

- **Amridge University**, Montgomery, Ala.
- **Asbury Theological Seminary**, Wilmore, Ky.
- **Ave Maria University**, Ave Maria, Fla.
- **Blue Mountain College**, Blue Mountain, Miss.
- **Catawba College**, Salisbury, N.C.
- **Coker College**, Hartsville, S.C.
- **Everglades University**, Boca Raton, Fla.
- **Florida Gulf Coast University**, Fort Myers, Fla.
- **Florida Institute of Technology**, Melbourne, Fla.
- **Fundación Universidad de las Américas—Puebla**, Puebla, Mex.
- **Georgia Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, Ga.
- **Georgia Southern University**, Statesboro, Ga.
- **Lee University**, Cleveland, Tenn.
- **Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center**, New Orleans, La. (Includes approval of the alternative approach to compliance with CR 2.7.4)

- **Louisiana State University in Shreveport**, Shreveport, La.
- **Louisiana Tech University**, Ruston, La.
- **Marine Corps University**, Quantico, Va.
- **Mercer University**, Macon, Ga.
- **Midway University**, Midway, Ky.
- **Rollins College**, Winter Park, Fla.
- **Southeastern Louisiana University**, Hammond, La.
- **Sullivan University**, Louisville, Ky.
- **Texas A&M International University**, Laredo, Tex.
- **Texas A&M University—Kingsville**, Kingsville, Tex.
- **Texas Tech University**, Lubbock, Tex.
- **Union College**, Barbourville, Ky.
- **The University of Alabama**, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
- **The University of Alabama at Birmingham**, Birmingham, Ala.
- **University of the Incarnate Word**, San Antonio, Tex.
- **The University of Memphis**, Memphis, Tenn.
- **University of New Orleans**, New Orleans, La.
- **University of South Florida**, Tampa, Fla.
- **University of St. Thomas**, Houston, Tex.
- **The University of Tampa**, Tampa, Fla.
- **The University of Tennessee**, Knoxville, Tenn.
- **University of West Florida**, Pensacola, Fla.
- **Warren Wilson College**, Asheville, N.C.
- **Wesleyan College**, Macon, Ga.
- **Western Kentucky University**, Bowling Green, Ky.

**The Board reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from Probation:**

- **Erskine College**, Due West, S.C.
- **Interdenominational Theological Center**, Atlanta, Ga.

**The Board granted initial accreditation as a separate entity to the following institution:**

- **Texas Southmost College**, Brownsville, Tex. (Level I)

**The Board granted initial accreditation to the following institution:**

- **The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler**, Tyler, Tex. (Level III)

**The Board accredited the following member institutions at a new or a more advanced degree level:**

- **Adventist University of Health Sciences**, Orlando, Fla.— Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy (Effective: May 2016)
- **Concordia University Texas**, Austin, Tex.— Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctorate in Education (Effective: August 2016)
- **Flagler College**, St. Augustine, Fla.— Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master in Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (Effective: August 2016)
- **Houston Baptist University**, Houston, Tex.— Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Education in Executive Educational Leadership (Effective: Fall 2016)
- **Middle Georgia State University**, Macon, Ga.— Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Science in Information Technology and the Master of Science in Nursing (Effective: January 2016)
- **New College of Florida**, Sarasota, Fla.— Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master in Data Science (Effective: February 2016)
- **Tallahassee Community College**, Tallahassee, Fla.— Moved from Level I to Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Effective: March 2016)
- **Welch College**, Nashville, Tenn.— Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master



of Arts in Theology and Ministry (Effective: February 2016)

**The Board approved the following substantive changes:**

- **Alabama Community College System**, Montgomery, Ala.— Approved a change in governance for the following institutions moving from the Alabama State Board of Education to the Alabama Community College System: Alabama Southern Community College, Monroeville; Beville State Community College, Jasper; Bishop State Community College, Mobile; Calhoun Community College, Tanner; Central Alabama Community College, Alexander City; Chattahoochee Valley Community College, Phenix City; Enterprise State Community College, Enterprise; Gadsden State Community College, Gadsden; George C. Wallace Community College, Dothan; George Corley Wallace State Community College (Wallace Community College Selma), Selma; H. Councill Trenholm State Community College, Montgomery; J.F. Drake State Community and Technical College, Huntsville; James H. Faulkner State Community College, Bay Minette; Jefferson Davis Community College, Brewton; Jefferson State Community College, Birmingham; Lurleen B. Wallace Community College, Andalusia; Marion Military Institute, Marion; Northeast Alabama Community College, Rainsville; Northwest-Shoals Community College, Muscle Shoals; Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa; Snead State Community College, Boaz; Southern Union State Community College, Wadley; T.A. Lawson State Community College, Birmingham; and Wallace State Community College Hanceville, Hanceville.
- **Flagler College**, St. Augustine, Fla.— Approved to offer 50% or more of any approved programs through distance learning.
- **Regent University**, Virginia Beach, Va.— Approved the Master of Theology degree requiring 24 credit hours.

- **Texas Southern University**, Houston, Tex.— Approved the L.L.M. in Immigration Law requiring 24 credit hours.

**The Board accepted the following institution's prospectus for an acquisition:**

- **ECPI University**, Virginia Beach, Va.— Accepted the prospectus for the acquisition of a branch campus from Remington College (a non-SACSCOC accredited institution), Lake Mary, Fla., which includes its School of Nursing. (Effective: June 2016)

**The Board approved the merger/consolidation of the following institutions:**

- **Baton Rouge Community College**, Baton Rouge, La.— Approved the merger/consolidation of Baton Rouge Community College and Capital Area Technical College (a non-SACSCOC accredited institution) to be called Baton Rouge Community College. (Effective: December 2015)
- **Georgia State University**, Atlanta, Ga.— Approved the merger/consolidation of Georgia State University and Georgia Perimeter College. (Effective: January 2016)

**The Board continued the accreditation of the following institutions after a Substantive Change Committee conducted an on-site review of a previously approved change:**

- **American College of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine**, Houston, Tex.— Reviewed membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine.
- **Blue Ridge Community College**, Flat Rock, N.C.— Reviewed two new North Carolina off-campus instructional sites: Brevard High School, Brevard, and Balfour Education Center, Hendersonville.
- **Cabarrus College of Health Sciences**, Concord, N.C.— Reviewed membership at Level III offering the Master of Occupational Therapy.

- **Cisco College**, Cisco, Tex.— Reviewed the following Texas off-campus instructional sites: Clyde High School, Clyde, and Region 14 Educational Service Center, Abilene.
- **Dabney S. Lancaster Community College**, Clifton Forge, Va.— Reviewed the following Virginia off-campus instructional sites: Alleghany High School, Covington; James River High School, Buchanan; Parry McCluer High School, Buena Vista; and Rockbridge County High School, Lexington.
- **East Georgia State College**, Swainsboro, Ga.— Reviewed an off-campus instructional site at Augusta University's Summerville Campus, Augusta, Ga.
- **Eckerd College**, St. Petersburg, Fla.— Reviewed an off-campus instructional site at 1300 N. Westshore Boulevard, Tampa, Fla.
- **ECPI University**, Virginia Beach, Va.— Reviewed a new branch campus located at 5234 Airport Road, Roanoke, Va.
- **Everglades University**, Boca Raton, Fla.— Reviewed a new off-campus instructional site located at 5225 Memorial Highway, Tampa, Fla.
- **Francis Marion University**, Florence, S.C.— Reviewed an off-campus instructional site at Trident Technical College, Mount Pleasant, S.C.
- **Freed-Hardeman University**, Henderson, Tenn.— Reviewed membership at Level V offering the Ed.D. in Instructional Leadership and of an off-campus instructional site at the Renaissance Center, Dickson, Tenn.
- **Georgia Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, Ga.— Reviewed a new off-campus instructional site in Shenzhen, Guangdong, China.
- **Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics**, Dallas, Tex.— Reviewed membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Arts in International Service.
- **Huston-Tillotson University**, Austin, Tex.— Reviewed membership at Level III offering the Master of Education in Educational Leadership with Principal Certification.
- **Jefferson Community and Technical College**, Louisville, Ky.— Reviewed the following Kentucky off-campus instructional sites evaluated as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Henry County High School, New Castle; Kentucky Manufacturing Career Center, Louisville; and Universal Woods, Louisville.
- **Johnson C. Smith University**, Charlotte, N.C.— Reviewed membership at Level III offering the Master of Social Work.
- **Johnston Community College**, Smithfield, N.C.— Reviewed an off-campus instructional site at South Johnston High School, Four Oaks, N.C.
- **Jones County Junior College**, Ellisville, Miss.— Reviewed an off-campus instructional site at the Wayne County Learning Center, Waynesboro, Miss.
- **Kennesaw State University**, Kennesaw, Ga.— Reviewed the merger/consolidation of Kennesaw State University and Southern Polytechnic State University called Kennesaw State University.
- **LeTourneau University**, Longview, Tex.— Reviewed the new Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.
- **Liberty University**, Lynchburg, Va.— Reviewed the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine.
- **Limestone College**, Gaffney, S.C.— Reviewed the following South Carolina off-campus instructional sites evaluated as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Kalmia Plaza, Aiken, and Victor Avenue Extension, Greer.
- **Lincoln Memorial University**, Harrogate, Tenn.— Reviewed the following Tennessee off-campus instructional sites evaluated as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Cedar Bluff Teaching Site, Knoxville, and Chattanooga State Community College, Chattanooga.
- **Lindsey Wilson College**, Columbia, Ky.— Reviewed membership at Level V offering the Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision.

- **Louisiana State University and A&M College**, Baton Rouge, La.— Reviewed the merger/consolidation of Louisiana State University and A&M College and the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law School.
  - **Maysville Community and Technical College**, Maysville, Ky.— Reviewed the following Kentucky off-campus instructional sites evaluated as part of the institution's Fifth-Year Interim Report: Maysville Institute of Culinary Arts, Maysville; Bath County High School, Owingsville; Mason County Area Technology Center, Maysville; and The Rowan Campus Downtown Extension, Morehead.
  - **Northwestern State University of Louisiana**, Natchitoches, La.— Reviewed membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice.
  - **Notre Dame Seminary**, New Orleans, La.— Reviewed membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Philosophy degree.
  - **Our Lady of Holy Cross College**, New Orleans, La.— Reviewed an off-campus instructional site: the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge.
  - **Pasco-Hernando State College**, New Port Richey, Fla.— Reviewed membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management and the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.
  - **Piedmont Virginia Community College**, Charlottesville, Va.— Reviewed the following Virginia off-campus instructional sites evaluated as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Jefferson School City Center, Charlottesville; Eugene Giuseppe Center, Stanardsville; Albemarle High School, Charlottesville; Charlottesville Albemarle Technical Education Center, Charlottesville; and Western Albemarle High School, Crozet.
  - **Regent University**, Virginia Beach, Va.— Reviewed the following Virginia off-campus instructional sites evaluated as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Portsmouth Christian School, Portsmouth, and Richmond Academy, Richmond.
  - **Roanoke-Chowan Community College**, Ahoskie, N.C.— Reviewed the following North Carolina off-campus instructional sites: Hertford County High School, Ahoskie, and Northhampton County High School, Conway.
  - **South Piedmont Community College**, Polkton, N.C.— Reviewed two substantive changes: (1) the new off-campus instructional site at the Central Academy of Technology and Arts, Monroe, and (2) the new Associate in Applied Science degree in Automotive Systems Technology program.
  - **Troy University**, Troy, Ala.— Reviewed the following off-campus instructional site evaluated as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Osan Air Base Education Center, Osan, Korea.
  - **The University of Dallas**, Irving, Tex.— Reviewed the Doctor of Business Administration.
- The Board removed the following institution from Warning:**
- **Allen University**, Columbia, S.C.
- The Board removed the following institutions from Probation:**
- **Louisiana College**, Pineville, La.
  - **Norfolk State University**, Norfolk, Va.
- Sanctions and other Negative Actions**
- The Board denied membership at a more advanced degree level for the following institution:**
- **Shaw University**, Raleigh, N.C.— Denied approval of membership at Level V to offer the Doctor of Ministry. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.4.1 (Academic program approval), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.5 (Academic

policies), and Comprehensive Standard 3.6.4 (Post-baccalaureate program requirements) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

### The Board denied approval of substantive change for the following institutions:

- **Alabama State University**, Montgomery, Ala.— Denied approval of the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standard as it relates to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Miami International University of Art & Design**, Miami, Fla.— Denied approval of the acquisition of the following branch campuses that are currently part of the accreditation of South University: The Art Institute of Charlotte, The Art Institute of Dallas, The Art Institute of Fort Worth, and the Art Institute of Raleigh-Durham. The institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability) and Comprehensive Standard 3.11.1 (Control of physical resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

### The Board placed the following institutions on Warning:

- **Bennett College for Women**, Greensboro, N.C.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Galen College of Nursing**, Louisville, Ky.— For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the *Principles of Accreditation*, following review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

- **Saint Augustine's University**, Raleigh, N.C.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Southwestern Christian College**, Terrell, Tex.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan), and Federal Requirement 4.9 (Definition of credit hours) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

### The Board continued Warning for the following institutions:

- **The Art Institute of Atlanta**, Atlanta, Ga.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Bethel University**, McKenzie, Tenn.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified administrative/academic officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Federal Requirement 4.1 (Student achievement), and Federal Requirement 4.9 (Definition of credit hours) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Georgetown College**, Georgetown, Ky.— For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

- **Miami International University of Art & Design**, Miami, Fla.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **South University**, Savannah, Ga.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.
- **Virginia State University**, Petersburg, Va.— For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.2.13 (Institution-related entities), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds), and Comprehensive Standard 3.11.1 (Control of physical resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. The Committee authorized a Special Committee to visit the institution.

**The Board denied reaffirmation, continued in accreditation, and continued the following institution on Warning:**

- **The Art Institute of Houston**, Houston, Tex.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources and stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Board continued accreditation for good cause and placed the following institution on Probation:**

- **The University of Tennessee at Martin**, Martin, Tenn.— For 12 months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.4 (Institutional Effectiveness: research), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: community/public service), and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies). The Commission authorized a Special Committee.

In accordance with the “Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges,” members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and any other identified or recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Westmoreland asked Dr. Brenda Colagross, Chair of the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the review of 33 Track A institutions that make up the 2020 reaffirmation class. He then thanked Colagross and the following Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports for their leadership: Frank Bonner, Timothy Brophy, Nancy Oliver Gray, and Sandra Harper.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.



# Minutes of the Business Meeting of the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges—December 8, 2015

The College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) held its Annual Business Meeting at the Convention Center, Houston, Texas, on December 8, 2015, at 10:30 a.m. Chair Andrew Westmoreland, President of Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama, presided. Dr. Mark Keenum, President of Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi, served as Vice Chair.

Vice-Chair Keenum introduced the meeting's speaker, Dr. Belle Wheelan, President of SACSCOC, who presented the "State of the Commission."

Following the President's presentation, Chair Westmoreland convened the business portion of the session and reported on the actions taken by the Executive Council and the SACSCOC Board of Trustees during their meetings December 4–6, 2015. (Refer to the December 6, 2015, meeting of the Board of Trustees for the minutes describing these actions.)

## Action on Nominations

Chair Westmoreland explained the process for nominating individuals to SACSCOC Board of Trustees. It is an open process whereby the chief executive officers (college delegates) are invited to submit nominees to their respective elected state's Board of Trustees members who, in turn, submit a slate of nominees to SACSCOC's Nominating Committee.

Vice-Chair Keenum read the report of SACSCOC Nominating Committee. The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, Class of 2019:

## Class of 2019

(Terms beginning January 1, 2016, and concluding December 31, 2018)

- **Ronnie L. Booth**, President, Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, S.C.
- **O. Max Burns**, President, Gordon State College, Barnesville, Ga.
- **John S. Capps**, President, Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Va.
- **Franklyn M. Casale**, President, St. Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Fla.
- **Jimmy S. Clarke**, Senior Associate, HCM Strategies, Lafayette, La.
- **Alejandro Elizondo**, Provost, Universidad de las Americas, Mexico City, Mex.
- **Nancy O. Gray**, President, Hollins University, Roanoke, Va.
- **Jonathan Gueverra**, President, Florida Keys Community College, Key West, Fla.
- **Dana L. Hoyt**, President, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Tex.
- **Daniel Jackson**, President and CEO, Carroll Tomorrow & Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, Carrollton, Ga.
- **N. Kevin Krane**, Vice Dean for Academic Affairs, Tulane University, New Orleans, La.
- **Duane K. Larick**, Senior Vice Provost, Strategic Initiatives and Dean, Graduate School, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, N.C.
- **John Leidy**, Attorney & Partner, Hornthal, Riley, Ellis & Miland, Elizabeth City, N.C.
- **Ray Martinez**, President, Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas, Austin, Tex.
- **Johnette McKown**, President, McLennan Community College, Waco, Tex.

- **James S. Netherton**, Executive Vice President for Administration and Finance, Mercer University, Macon, Ga.
- **Suzanne Ozment**, Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, Ala.
- **Claude Pressnell, Jr.**, President, Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association, Nashville, Tenn.
- **Alfred Rankins, Jr.**, President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Miss.
- **Michael David Rudd**, President, University of Memphis, Memphis, Tenn.
- **Maurice W. Scherrens**, President, Newberry College, Newberry, S.C.
- **Neal J. Smatresk**, President, University of North Texas, Denton, Tex.
- **Chandra Brown Stewart**, Executive Director, Lifelines-Family Counseling Services, Mobile, Ala.

### Class of 2016

(Filling a vacancy; eligible in 2016 for a full term)

- **George T. French**, President, Miles College, Birmingham, Ala.
- **Deborah D. Grimes**, Senior Vice President of Instruction and Student Services, Lenoir Community College, Kinston, N.C.

### The College Delegate Assembly elected the following individuals to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools:

- **Chair-elect to the SACS Board of Trustees—Andrew Westmoreland**, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Ala.
- **Faculty Representative on the SACS Board of Trustees—Myrtes D. Green**, Assistant to the President, T.A. Lawson State Community College, Birmingham, Ala.

### The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly:

#### • Appeals Committee, Class of 2017

- Stephen R. Briggs**, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Ga.
- Jack Hawkins, Jr.**, Chancellor, Troy University, Troy, Ala.
- William T. Luckey, Jr.**, President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky.
- C. Edward Meadows**, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Fla.

#### • Appeals Committee, Class of 2016

(Filling a vacancy)

- Jennifer Braaten**, President, Ferrum College, Ferrum, Va.

Chair Westmoreland referred the membership to the list of SACSCOC Board of Trustees elected on Sunday, December 6, 2015, to serve on the 2016 Executive Council. The report was presented to the College Delegate Assembly as information. He recognized and thanked the following members of the 2015 SACSCOC Nominating Committee: William T. Luckey, Jr. (Chair), President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; William T. Abare, Jr., President, Flagler College, St. Augustine, Florida; Rodney D. Bennett, President, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Diane M. Calhoun-French, Provost and VP for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Kentucky; and Franklyn M. Casale, President, St. Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida.

## **Report on the Accreditation of Institutions**

Vice-Chair Keenum read the reports from SACSCOC Board of Trustees regarding accreditation actions taken on June 11, 2015, and December 6, 2015. The reports were read as information. (Refer to the June 11, 2015, and December 6, 2015, Minutes of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.)

## **Leadership Transition**

Chair Westmoreland introduced Dr. Mark Keenum, President of Mississippi State University and

Chair-elect. He indicated that he had had the privilege of working with Dr. Keenum these past two years during his service as Vice Chair and as a member of the Executive Council, and that he came to this position of leadership with experience and knowledge in the work of the Commission. Dr. Keenum thanked Dr. Westmoreland for his kind words and the membership for their confidence in his leadership.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. after announcing that the College Delegates would reconvene December 2016 in Atlanta, Georgia.

# **Appeals Proceedings of SACSCOC College Delegate Assembly**

The Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly did not meet in 2015.



A photograph of three students walking on a paved path on a college campus. Two young women are walking together, smiling and talking, while a young man walks slightly behind them. They are all wearing backpacks. In the background is a large, light-colored building with many windows. There are trees and red tulips in the foreground.

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## 2015 Roll of Accredited and Candidate Institutions



## Institutions Awarded Initial Membership in 2015

Congratulations to the four institutions that were awarded initial or separate accreditation.

- **Southern University Law Center**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (Awarded separate accreditation from Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge)
- **Texas Southmost College**, Brownsville, Texas (Awarded separate accreditation from The University of Texas at Brownsville-Texas Southmost)
- **The University of Tennessee Health Science Center**, Memphis, Tennessee (Awarded separate accreditation from The University of Tennessee)
- **The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler**, Tyler, Texas

## Member Institutions with a Change of Status in 2015

- **Baton Rouge Community College**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (Merged with Capital Area Technical College: December 6, 2015) New institution: Baton Rouge Community College
- **Clearwater Christian College**, Clearwater, Florida (Withdrew accreditation: July 1, 2015)
- **Emmanuel Christian College**, Johnson City, Tennessee (Merged with Milligan College: June 11, 2015) New institution: Milligan College
- **Georgia State University**, Atlanta, Georgia (Merged with Georgia Perimeter College: December 6, 2015) New institution: Georgia State University
- **Milligan College**, Milligan College, Tennessee (Merged with Emmanuel Christian College: June 11, 2015) New institution: Milligan College
- **Georgia Perimeter College**, Atlanta, Georgia (Merged with Georgia State University: December 6, 2015) New institution: Georgia State University
- **LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (Merged with Louisiana State University and A&M College, Baton Rouge: April 2015) New institution: Louisiana State University and A&M College
- **Louisiana State University and A&M College**, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (Merged with LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Baton Rouge: April 2015) New institution: Louisiana State University and A&M College
- **Moultrie Technical College**, Moultrie, Georgia (Merged with Southwest Georgia Technical College, Thomasville, Georgia: June 11, 2015) New institution: Southern Regional Technical College
- **Southwest Georgia Technical College**, Thomasville, Georgia (Merged with Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, Georgia: June 11, 2015) New institution: Southern Regional Technical College
- **Texas State Technical College**, Waco, Texas (System merger of Texas State Technical College Waco in Waco; Texas State Technical College Marshall in Marshall; Texas State Technical College—West Texas in Sweetwater; and Texas State Technical College-Harlingen in Harlingen: July 10, 2015) New institution: Texas State Technical College, Waco, Texas



## Profile of Member and Candidate Institutions by State and by Degree Level as of December 31, 2015

| State          | I          | II         | III        | IV        | V          | VI         | TOTAL      |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| Alabama        | 24         | 8          | 3          | 3         | 8          | 8          | 54         |
| Florida        | 4          | 32         | 14         | 0         | 12         | 14         | 76         |
| Georgia        | 24         | 23         | 9          | 5         | 12         | 10         | 83         |
| Kentucky       | 16         | 7          | 8          | 2         | 15         | 2          | 50         |
| Louisiana      | 11         | 3          | 5          | 2         | 9          | 9          | 39         |
| Mississippi    | 15         | 2          | 4          | 1         | 5          | 5          | 32         |
| North Carolina | 60         | 11         | 21         | 0         | 11         | 9          | 112        |
| South Carolina | 17         | 7          | 10         | 5         | 8          | 3          | 50         |
| Tennessee      | 14         | 7          | 12         | 2         | 17         | 11         | 63         |
| Texas          | 61         | 12         | 29         | 1         | 32         | 27         | 162        |
| Virginia       | 24         | 9          | 15         | 0         | 13         | 11         | 72         |
| International  | 0          | 0          | 3          | 0         | 1          | 2          | 6          |
| Candidate      | 1          | 0          |            | 0         | 0          | 0          | 1          |
| <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>274</b> | <b>121</b> | <b>133</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>143</b> | <b>111</b> | <b>800</b> |

Institutions are classified by their highest degree level offered. The levels are as follows:

|                  |                      |                 |  |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| <b>Level I</b>   | Associate degree     | <b>Level IV</b> | Master's degree and Educational Specialist |
| <b>Level II</b>  | Baccalaureate degree | <b>Level V</b>  | Three or fewer doctoral degrees            |
| <b>Level III</b> | Master's degree      | <b>Level VI</b> | Four or more doctoral degrees              |

## Profile of Member and Candidate Institutions by State and by Governance as of December 31, 2015

| State          | Public     | Private    | TOTAL      |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Alabama        | 39         | 15         | 54         |
| Florida        | 41         | 35         | 76         |
| Georgia        | 51         | 32         | 83         |
| Kentucky       | 24         | 26         | 50         |
| Louisiana      | 28         | 11         | 39         |
| Mississippi    | 24         | 8          | 32         |
| North Carolina | 75         | 37         | 112        |
| South Carolina | 29         | 21         | 50         |
| Tennessee      | 23         | 40         | 63         |
| Texas          | 107        | 55         | 162        |
| Virginia       | 40         | 32         | 72         |
| International  | 0          | 6          | 6          |
| Candidate      | 1          | 0          | 1          |
| <b>TOTALS</b>  | <b>482</b> | <b>318</b> | <b>800</b> |

# 2015 Roll of Accredited and Candidate Institutions

Institutions accredited by SACSCOC are listed below by state and include the initial date of accreditation, the date of next reaffirmation, governance type, the degree level, and the types of degrees offered. Candidate institutions list candidacy date. For specific information regarding the current status of institutions, access the SACSCOC Membership Directory at: <http://www.sacscoc.org/search.asp>.

## Notes to the reader:

- The following abbreviations and symbols are used in the tables that follow:  
Under Governance: "P" = Public; "Pr" = Private; "NFP" = Not For Profit; "FP" = For Profit  
Institutions are classified by their highest degree level offered. The levels are as follows:  
Level I: Associate degree  
Level II: Baccalaureate degree  
Level III: Master's degree  
Level IV: Master's degree and Educational Specialist  
Level V: Three or fewer doctoral degrees  
Level VI: Four or more doctoral degrees
- One asterisk by the initial accreditation date indicates one of the following:
  - the initial accreditation date is that of a merged/consolidated entity approved between 2010–2015, or
  - the initial date is when the institution gained separate accreditation from another accredited institution.
 In either case, the institution would have been accredited prior to the date listed but as a different entity.
- Two asterisks after the name of an institution indicates that the institution was accredited for only part of 2015. (See "Member Institutions with a Change of Status in 2015.")
- If a name change occurred in 2015, the former name follows the current name and is indicated in italics.

## Alabama

| Institution                                    | City        | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Air University                                 | Maxwell AFB | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | V     | A M D           |
| Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University | Normal      | 1963                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Alabama Southern Community College             | Monroeville | 1992                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Alabama State University                       | Montgomery  | 1966                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| Amridge University                             | Montgomery  | 1989                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Athens State University                        | Athens      | 1955                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | B               |
| Auburn University                              | Auburn      | 1922                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Auburn University at Montgomery                | Montgomery  | 1968                  | 2018                       | P          | V     | B M E S D       |
| Bevill State Community College                 | Jasper      | 1994                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |

| Institution                                       | City           | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Birmingham-Southern College                       | Birmingham     | 1922                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Bishop State Community College                    | Mobile         | 1992                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Calhoun Community College                         | Tanner         | 1968                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Central Alabama Community College                 | Alexander City | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Chattahoochee Valley Community College            | Phenix City    | 1976                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Concordia College Alabama                         | Selma          | 1983                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Enterprise Community College                      | Enterprise     | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Faulkner University                               | Montgomery     | 1971                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Gadsden State Community College                   | Gadsden        | 2003                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| George C. Wallace Community College               | Dothan         | 2000                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| George Corley Wallace State Community College     | Selma          | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| H. Councill Trenholm State Technical College      | Montgomery     | 2014                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Huntingdon College                                | Montgomery     | 1928                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| J. F. Drake State Community and Technical College | Huntsville     | 2012                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Jacksonville State University                     | Jacksonville   | 1935                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | B M E S D       |
| James H. Faulkner State Community College         | Bay Minette    | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Jefferson Davis Community College                 | Brewton        | 1994                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Jefferson State Community College                 | Birmingham     | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Judson College                                    | Marion         | 1925                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Lurleen B. Wallace Community College              | Andalusia      | 2003                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Marion Military Institute                         | Marion         | 1926                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Miles College                                     | Fairfield      | 1969                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Northeast Alabama Community College               | Rainsville     | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Northwest-Shoals Community College                | Muscle Shoals  | 1994                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Oakwood University                                | Huntsville     | 1958                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Samford University                                | Birmingham     | 1920                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| Shelton State Community College                   | Tuscaloosa     | 1994                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Snead State Community College                     | Boaz           | 1941                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southern Union State Community College            | Wadley         | 1994                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Spring Hill College                               | Mobile         | 1922                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Stillman College                                  | Tuscaloosa     | 1953                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| T.A. Lawson State Community College               | Birmingham     | 2005                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Talladega College                                 | Talladega      | 1931                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Troy University                                   | Troy           | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |

| Institution                             | City       | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Tuskegee University                     | Tuskegee   | 1933                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| United States Sports Academy            | Daphne     | 1983                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| The University of Alabama               | Tuscaloosa | 1897                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| The University of Alabama at Birmingham | Birmingham | 1970                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Alabama in Huntsville | Huntsville | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| University of Mobile                    | Mobile     | 1968                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| University of Montevallo                | Montevallo | 1925                  | 2021                       | P          | IV    | B M ES          |
| University of North Alabama             | Florence   | 1934                  | 2022                       | P          | IV    | B M ES          |
| University of South Alabama             | Mobile     | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| The University of West Alabama          | Livingston | 1938                  | 2023                       | P          | IV    | A B M ES        |
| Wallace State Community College         | Hanceville | 1978                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |

## Florida

| Institution   | City           | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Adventist University of Health Sciences—Florida Hospital's University | Orlando        | 1996                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Ave Maria University  | Ave Maria      | 2010                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | BMD             |
| The Baptist College of Florida  | Graceville     | 1981                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Barry University  | Miami Shores   | 1947                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M ES D        |
| Beacon College  | Leesburg       | 2003                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Bethune-Cookman University  | Daytona Beach  | 1947                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Broward College   | Ft. Lauderdale | 1965                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Chipola College   | Marianna       | 1957                  | 2018                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Clearwater Christian College **                                       | Clearwater     | 1984                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| College of Central Florida  | Ocala          | 1964                  | 2016                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Daytona State College   | Daytona Beach  | 1963                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Eastern Florida State College   | Cocoa          | 1965                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Eckerd College  | St. Petersburg | 1966                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Edward Waters College   | Jacksonville   | 1979                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University                                  | Daytona Beach  | 1968                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Everglades University   | Boca Raton     | 2010                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Flagler College   | St. Augustine  | 1973                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University                        | Tallahassee    | 1935                  | 2018                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Florida Atlantic University   | Boca Raton     | 1967                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |

| Institution                                    | City            | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Florida College                                | Temple Terrace  | 1954                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Florida Gateway College                        | Lake City       | 1966                  | 2020                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Florida Gulf Coast University                  | Fort Myers      | 1999                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Florida Institute of Technology                | Melbourne       | 1964                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Florida International University               | Miami           | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Florida Keys Community College                 | Key West        | 1968                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Florida Memorial University                    | Miami Gardens   | 1951                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Florida National University                    | Hialeah         | 1997                  | 2022                       | Pr, FP     | III   | A B M           |
| Florida Southern College                       | Lakeland        | 1935                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M             |
| Florida SouthWestern State College             | Fort Myers      | 1966                  | 2022                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Florida State College at Jacksonville          | Jacksonville    | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Florida State University                       | Tallahassee     | 1915                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Gulf Coast State College                       | Panama City     | 1962                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Hillsborough Community College                 | Tampa           | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Hodges University                              | Naples          | 1998                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Indian River State College                     | Fort Pierce     | 1965                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Jacksonville University                        | Jacksonville    | 1950                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Keiser University                              | Ft. Lauderdale  | 1991                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Lake-Sumter State College                      | Leesburg        | 1966                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Lynn University                                | Boca Raton      | 1967                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Miami Dade College                             | Miami           | 1965                  | 2025                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Miami International University of Art & Design | Miami           | 1979                  | 2022                       | Pr, FP     | III   | A B M           |
| New College of Florida                         | Sarasota        | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | II    | B               |
| North Florida Community College                | Madison         | 1963                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Northwest Florida State College                | Niceville       | 1967                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Nova Southeastern University                   | Fort Lauderdale | 1971                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M ES D        |
| Palm Beach Atlantic University                 | West Palm Beach | 1972                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Palm Beach State College                       | Lake Worth      | 1942                  | 2022                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Pasco-Hernando State College                   | New Port Richey | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Pensacola State College                        | Pensacola       | 1956                  | 2018                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Polk State College                             | Winter Haven    | 1967                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Ringling College of Art and Design             | Sarasota        | 1979                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Rollins College                                | Winter Park     | 1927                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Saint John Vianney College Seminary            | Miami           | 1970                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Saint Leo University                           | Saint Leo       | 1967                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M ES D      |
| Saint Thomas University                        | Miami Gardens   | 1968                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |



| Institution  | City           | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|--|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Santa Fe College   | Gainesville    | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Seminole State College of Florida  | Sanford        | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| South Florida State College  | Avon Park      | 1968                  | 2022                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Southeastern University, Inc.  | Lakeland       | 1986                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M           |
| St. Johns River State College  | Palatka        | 1963                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| St. Petersburg College   | St. Petersburg | 1931                  | 2018                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary  | Boynton Beach  | 1968                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | M               |
| State College of Florida,<br>Manatee—Sarasota  | Bradenton      | 1963                  | 2025                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Stetson University   | DeLand         | 1932                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M ES D        |
| Tallahassee Community College  | Tallahassee    | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| University of Central Florida  | Orlando        | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| University of Florida  | Gainesville    | 1913                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| University of Miami  | Coral Gables   | 1940                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M ES D        |
| University of North Florida  | Jacksonville   | 1974                  | 2019                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| University of South Florida  | Tampa          | 1965                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| University of South Florida Sarasota—<br>Manatee (Separate accreditation from<br>the University of South Florida)      | Sarasota       | 2011*                 | 2016                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| University of South Florida St. Petersburg   | St. Petersburg | 2006                  | 2021                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| The University of Tampa  | Tampa          | 1951                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| The University of West Florida   | Pensacola      | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Valencia College   | Orlando        | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Warner University  | Lake Wales     | 1977                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Webber International University (Merger<br>of Webber International University and<br>St. Andrews Presbyterian College) | Babson Park    | 2011*                 | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |

## Georgia

| Institution                          | City     | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College | Tifton   | 1953                  | 2017                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Agnes Scott College                  | Decatur  | 1907                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Albany State University              | Albany   | 1951                  | 2018                       | P          | IV    | B M ES          |
| Albany Technical College             | Albany   | 2005                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Andrew College                       | Cuthbert | 1927                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | I     | A               |
| Armstrong State University           | Savannah | 1940                  | 2023                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| The Art Institute of Atlanta         | Atlanta  | 1985                  | 2020                       | Pr, FP     | II    | A B             |

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| Athens Technical College   | Athens           | 1988                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Atlanta Metropolitan State College   | Atlanta          | 1976                  | 2022                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Atlanta Technical College  | Atlanta          | 2005                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Augusta Technical College  | Augusta          | 1988                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Augusta University (Formerly called Georgia Regents University after merger of Georgia Health Sciences University with Augusta State University) | Augusta          | 2012*                 | 2016                       | P          | VI    | ABMD            |
| Bainbridge State College   | Bainbridge       | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Bauder College   | Atlanta          | 1985                  | 2020                       | Pr, FP     | II    | A B             |
| Berry College  | Mount Berry      | 1957                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | B M ES          |
| Brenau University  | Gainesville      | 1947                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M ES D        |
| Brewton-Parker College   | Mount Vernon     | 1962                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Central Georgia Technical College (Merger of Central Georgia Technical College and Middle Georgia Technical College)                             | Warner Robins    | 2013*                 | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Chattahoochee Technical College  | Marietta         | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Clark Atlanta University   | Atlanta          | 1990                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M ES D        |
| Clayton State University   | Morrow           | 1971                  | 2024                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Coastal Pines Technical College (Merger of Okefenokee Technical College and Altamaha Technical College)  | Waycross         | 2014*                 | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| College of Coastal Georgia   | Brunswick        | 1967                  | 2022                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Columbia Theological Seminary  | Decatur          | 1983                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Columbus State University  | Columbus         | 1963                  | 2016                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| Columbus Technical College   | Columbus         | 1990                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Covenant College   | Lookout Mountain | 1971                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Dalton State College   | Dalton           | 1969                  | 2023                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Darton State College   | Albany           | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| East Georgia State College   | Swainsboro       | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Emmanuel College   | Franklin Springs | 1967                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Emory University   | Atlanta          | 1917                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Fort Valley State University   | Fort Valley      | 1951                  | 2020                       | P          | IV    | A B M ES        |
| Georgia College and State University   | Milledgeville    | 1925                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| Georgia Gwinnett College   | Lawrenceville    | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | II    | B               |
| Georgia Highlands College  | Rome             | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Georgia Institute of Technology  | Atlanta          | 1923                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Georgia Military College   | Milledgeville    | 1940                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Georgia Northwestern Technical College   | Rome             | 2008                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Georgia Perimeter College  | Decatur          | 1967                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Georgia Piedmont Technical College   | Clarkston        | 1967                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Georgia Southern University  | Statesboro    | 1935                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Georgia Southwestern State University  | Americus      | 1932                  | 2024                       | P          | IV    | A B M E S       |
| Georgia State University   | Atlanta       | 1952                  | 2018                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| Gordon State College   | Barnesville   | 1941                  | 2017                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Gwinnett Technical College   | Lawrenceville | 1991                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Interdenominational Theological Center   | Atlanta       | 1984                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Kennesaw State University (Merger of Kennesaw State University and Southern Polytechnic State University)          | Kennesaw      | 2014*                 | 2019                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| LaGrange College   | LaGrange      | 1946                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | A B M E S       |
| Lanier Technical College   | Oakwood       | 2011                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Life University  | Marietta      | 1986                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Mercer University  | Macon         | 1911                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Middle Georgia State College (Merger of Macon State College with Middle Georgia College)                           | Macon         | 2012*                 | 2016                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Morehouse College  | Atlanta       | 1932                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Morehouse School of Medicine   | Atlanta       | 1986                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| North Georgia Technical College  | Clarkesville  | 2008                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Ogeechee Technical College   | Statesboro    | 2014                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Oglethorpe University  | Atlanta       | 1950                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Paine College  | Augusta       | 1944                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Piedmont College   | Demorest      | 1965                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Point University   | West Point    | 1990                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Reinhardt University   | Waleska       | 1953                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| The Savannah College of Art and Design   | Savannah      | 2005                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Savannah State University  | Savannah      | 1951                  | 2021                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Savannah Technical College   | Savannah      | 1991                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Shorter University   | Rome          | 1923                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| South Georgia State College (Merger of South Georgia College with Waycross College)                                | Douglas       | 2012*                 | 2016                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| South Georgia Technical College  | Americus      | 2011                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| South University   | Savannah      | 2009                  | 2024                       | Pr, FP     | VI    | A B M D         |
| Southeastern Technical College   | Swainsboro    | 2009                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southern Crescent Technical College  | Griffin       | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southern Regional Technical College (Merger of Southwest Georgia Technical College and Moultrie Technical College) | Thomasville   | 2015*                 | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Spelman College  | Atlanta       | 1932                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Thomas University  | Thomasville   | 1984                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Toccoa Falls College   | Toccoa Falls  | 1983                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Truett McConnell College   | Cleveland     | 1966                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |

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| The University of Georgia   | Athens       | 1909                  | 2022                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| University of North Georgia (Merger of North Georgia College and State University with Gainesville State College) | Dahlonega    | 2012*                 | 2016                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| University of West Georgia  | Carrollton   | 1936                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Valdosta State University   | Valdosta     | 1929                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| Wesleyan College  | Macon        | 1919                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| West Georgia Technical College  | Waco         | 2007                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wiregrass Georgia Technical College (Merger of Valdosta Technical College and East Central Technical College)     | Valdosta     | 2010*                 | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Young Harris College  | Young Harris | 1938                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |

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|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Alice Lloyd College                           | Pippa Passes   | 1952                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Asbury Theological Seminary                   | Wilmore        | 1984                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Asbury University                             | Wilmore        | 1940                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | B M ES          |
| Ashland Community and Technical College       | Ashland        | 2003                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Bellarmino University                         | Louisville     | 1956                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Berea College                                 | Berea          | 1926                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Big Sandy Community and Technical College     | Prestonsburg   | 2003                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Bluegrass Community and Technical College     | Lexington      | 2005                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Brescia University                            | Owensboro      | 1957                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Campbellsville University                     | Campbellsville | 1963                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Centre College                                | Danville       | 1904                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Clear Creek Baptist Bible College             | Pineville      | 1999                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Eastern Kentucky University                   | Richmond       | 1928                  | 2017                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| Elizabethtown Community and Technical College | Elizabethtown  | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Frontier Nursing University                   | Hyden          | 2004                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Galen College of Nursing                      | Louisville     | 2013                  | 2018                       | Pr, FP     | II    | A B             |
| Gateway Community and Technical College       | Florence       | 2008                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Georgetown College                            | Georgetown     | 1919                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Hazard Community and Technical College        | Hazard         | 2002                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Henderson Community College                           | Henderson        | 1971                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Hopkinsville Community College                        | Hopkinsville     | 1971                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Jefferson Community and Technical College             | Louisville       | 2005                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Kentucky Christian University                         | Grayson          | 1984                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Kentucky State University                             | Frankfort        | 1939                  | 2019                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Kentucky Wesleyan College                             | Owensboro        | 1948                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Lindsey Wilson College                                | Columbia         | 1951                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary          | Louisville       | 1973                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Madisonville Community College                        | Madisonville     | 2001                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Maysville Community and Technical College             | Maysville        | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Midway University                                     | Midway           | 1949                  | 2015                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Morehead State University                             | Morehead         | 1930                  | 2021                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Murray State University                               | Murray           | 1928                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Northern Kentucky University                          | Highland Heights | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Owensboro Community and Technical College             | Owensboro        | 2003                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Somerset Community College                            | Somerset         | 2003                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southcentral Kentucky Community and Technical College | Bowling Green    | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College    | Cumberland       | 2001                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary             | Louisville       | 1968                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Spalding University                                   | Louisville       | 1938                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M E S D     |
| St. Catharine College                                 | St. Catharine    | 1957                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Sullivan University                                   | Louisville       | 1979                  | 2025                       | Pr, FP     | V     | A B M D         |
| Thomas More College                                   | Crestview Hills  | 1959                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Transylvania University                               | Lexington        | 1915                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Union College   | Barbourville     | 1932                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | A B M D         |
| University of the Cumberlands                         | Williamsburg     | 1964                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| University of Kentucky                                | Lexington        | 1915                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| University of Louisville                              | Louisville       | 1915                  | 2017                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| University of Pikeville                               | Pikeville        | 1931                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| West Kentucky Community and Technical College         | Paducah          | 2003                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Western Kentucky University                           | Bowling Green    | 1926                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |



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| Baton Rouge Community College  | Baton Rouge  | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Bossier Parish Community College   | Bossier City | 1983                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Centenary College of Louisiana   | Shreveport   | 1925                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Delgado Community College (Merger of Delgado Community College and Louisiana Technical College)                                      | New Orleans  | 2011*                 | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Dillard University   | New Orleans  | 1938                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Elaine P. Nunez Community College  | Chalmette    | 1992                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Grambling State University   | Grambling    | 1949                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| L. E. Fletcher Technical Community College   | Schriever    | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Louisiana College  | Pineville    | 1923                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Louisiana Delta Community College (Merger of Louisiana Delta Community College with Northeast Louisiana Technical College)           | Monroe       | 2013*                 | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Louisiana State University and A&M College (Merger of Louisiana State University and A&M College with LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center) | Baton Rouge  | 2015*                 | 2024                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| Louisiana State University at Alexandria   | Alexandria   | 1960                  | 2025                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Louisiana State University at Eunice   | Eunice       | 1967                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center  | New Orleans  | 1931                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at Shreveport  | Shreveport   | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Louisiana State University in Shreveport   | Shreveport   | 1975                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | B M ES D        |
| Louisiana Tech University  | Ruston       | 1927                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Loyola University New Orleans  | New Orleans  | 1929                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center  | Baton Rouge  | 2009                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | D               |
| McNeese State University   | Lake Charles | 1954                  | 2017                       | P          | IV    | A B M ES        |
| New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary   | New Orleans  | 1965                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Nicholls State University  | Thibodaux    | 1964                  | 2016                       | P          | IV    | A B M ES        |
| Northwestern State University of Louisiana   | Natchitoches | 1941                  | 2017                       | P          | V     | A B M ES        |
| Notre Dame Seminary  | New Orleans  | 1951                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Our Lady of Holy Cross College   | New Orleans  | 1972                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Our Lady of the Lake College   | Baton Rouge  | 1994                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| River Parishes Community College   | Gonzales     | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Saint Joseph Seminary College  | St. Benedict | 1956                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |

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| South Louisiana Community College<br>(Merger of South Louisiana Community College with Acadiana Technical College) | Lafayette    | 2013*                 | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southeastern Louisiana University  | Hammond      | 1946                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge   | Baton Rouge  | 1938                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Southern University Law Center   | Baton Rouge  | 2015*                 | 2020                       | P          | V     | D               |
| Southern University at New Orleans   | New Orleans  | 1970                  | 2020                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Southern University at Shreveport  | Shreveport   | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Sowela Technical Community College   | Lake Charles | 2014                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tulane University  | New Orleans  | 1903                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Louisiana at Lafayette   | Lafayette    | 1925                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| The University of Louisiana at Monroe  | Monroe       | 1955                  | 2019                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| University of New Orleans  | New Orleans  | 1958                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Xavier University of Louisiana   | New Orleans  | 1938                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |

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| Alcorn State University                  | Lorman        | 1948                  | 2021                       | P          | IV    | A B M E S       |
| Belhaven University                      | Jackson       | 1946                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Blue Mountain College                    | Blue Mountain | 1927                  | 2015                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Coahoma Community College                | Clarksdale    | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Copiah-Lincoln Community College         | Wesson        | 1936                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Delta State University                   | Cleveland     | 1930                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| East Central Community College           | Decatur       | 1939                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| East Mississippi Community College       | Scooba        | 1949                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Hinds Community College                  | Raymond       | 1928                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Holmes Community College                 | Goodman       | 1934                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Itawamba Community College               | Fulton        | 1955                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Jackson State University                 | Jackson       | 1948                  | 2021                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Jones County Junior College              | Ellisville    | 1940                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Meridian Community College               | Meridian      | 1942                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Millsaps College                         | Jackson       | 1912                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Mississippi College                      | Clinton       | 1922                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M E S D       |
| Mississippi Delta Community College      | Moorhead      | 1930                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College | Perkinston    | 1929                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Mississippi State University             | Mississippi State | 1926                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Mississippi University for Women         | Columbus          | 1921                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Mississippi Valley State University      | Itta Bena         | 1968                  | 2022                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| Northeast Mississippi Community College  | Booneville        | 1956                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Northwest Mississippi Community College  | Senatobia         | 1953                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Pearl River Community College            | Poplarville       | 1929                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Reformed Theological Seminary            | Jackson           | 1977                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Rust College                             | Holly Springs     | 1970                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Southwest Mississippi Community College  | Summit            | 1958                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tougaloo College                         | Tougaloo          | 1953                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| University of Mississippi                | University        | 1895                  | 2019                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| University of Mississippi Medical Center | Jackson           | 1991                  | 2021                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Southern Mississippi   | Hattiesburg       | 1929                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| William Carey University                 | Hattiesburg       | 1958                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M E S D       |

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|--|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Alamance Community College                         | Graham      | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Appalachian State University                       | Boone       | 1942                  | 2023                       | P          | V     | B M E S D       |
| Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College     | Asheville   | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Barton College                                     | Wilson      | 1955                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Beaufort County Community College                  | Washington  | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Belmont Abbey College                              | Belmont     | 1957                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Bennett College for Women                          | Greensboro  | 1935                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Bladen Community College                           | Dublin      | 1976                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Blue Ridge Community College                       | Flat Rock   | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Brevard College                                    | Brevard     | 1949                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Brunswick Community College                        | Bolivia     | 1983                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Cabarrus College of Health Sciences                | Concord     | 1995                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute | Hudson      | 1969                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Campbell University                                | Buies Creek | 1941                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Cape Fear Community College                        | Wilmington  | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Carolinas College of Health Sciences               | Charlotte   | 1995                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Carteret Community College  | Morehead City   | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Catawba College   | Salisbury       | 1928                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Catawba Valley Community College  | Hickory         | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Central Carolina Community College  | Sanford         | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Central Piedmont Community College  | Charlotte       | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Chowan University   | Murfreesboro    | 1956                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Cleveland Community College   | Shelby          | 1975                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Coastal Carolina Community College  | Jacksonville    | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| College of The Albemarle  | Elizabeth City  | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Craven Community College  | New Bern        | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Davidson College  | Davidson        | 1917                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Davidson County Community College   | Lexington       | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Duke University   | Durham          | 1895                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Durham Technical Community College  | Durham          | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| East Carolina University  | Greenville      | 1927                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| Edgecombe Community College   | Tarboro         | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Elizabeth City State University   | Elizabeth City  | 1947                  | 2021                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| Elon University   | Elon            | 1947                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Fayetteville State University   | Fayetteville    | 1947                  | 2021                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Fayetteville Technical Community College  | Fayetteville    | 1967                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Forsyth Technical Community College   | Winston-Salem   | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Gardner-Webb University   | Boiling Springs | 1948                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Gaston College  | Dallas          | 1967                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Greensboro College  | Greensboro      | 1926                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Guilford College  | Greensboro      | 1926                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Guilford Technical Community College  | Jamestown       | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Halifax Community College   | Weldon          | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Haywood Community College   | Clyde           | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| High Point University   | High Point      | 1951                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Isothermal Community College  | Spindale        | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| James Sprunt Community College  | Kenansville     | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Johnson C. Smith University   | Charlotte       | 1933                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Johnston Community College  | Smithfield      | 1977                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lees-McRae College  | Banner Elk      | 1953                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Lenoir Community College  | Kinston         | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lenoir-Rhyne University (Merger of Lenoir-Rhyne University with Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary) | Hickory         | 2013*                 | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Livingstone College   | Salisbury       | 1944                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Louisburg College   | Louisburg       | 1952                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | I     | A               |
| Mars Hill University  | Mars Hill       | 1926                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |

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| Martin Community College                                   | Williamston    | 1972                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Mayland Community College                                  | Spruce Pine    | 1978                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| McDowell Technical Community College                       | Marion         | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Meredith College   | Raleigh        | 1921                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Methodist University                                       | Fayetteville   | 1966                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Mid-Atlantic Christian University                          | Elizabeth City | 1999                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Mitchell Community College                                 | Statesville    | 1955                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Montgomery Community College                               | Troy           | 1978                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Montreat College   | Montreat       | 1960                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Nash Community College                                     | Rocky Mount    | 1976                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University | Greensboro     | 1936                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| North Carolina Central University                          | Durham         | 1938                  | 2019                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| North Carolina State University                            | Raleigh        | 1928                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| North Carolina Wesleyan College                            | Rocky Mount    | 1966                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Pamlico Community College                                  | Grantsboro     | 1977                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Pfeiffer University  | Misenheimer    | 1942                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Piedmont Community College                                 | Roxboro        | 1977                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Pitt Community College                                     | Winterville    | 1969                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Queens University of Charlotte                             | Charlotte      | 1932                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Randolph Community College                                 | Asheboro       | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Richmond Community College                                 | Hamlet         | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Roanoke-Chowan Community College                           | Ahoskie        | 1976                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Robeson Community College                                  | Lumberton      | 1975                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Rockingham Community College                               | Wentworth      | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Rowan-Cabarrus Community College                           | Salisbury      | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Saint Augustine's University                               | Raleigh        | 1942                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Salem College  | Winston-Salem  | 1922                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Sampson Community College                                  | Clinton        | 1977                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Sandhills Community College                                | Pinehurst      | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Shaw University  | Raleigh        | 1943                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| South Piedmont Community College                           | Polkton        | 1977                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary                  | Wake Forest    | 1978                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Southeastern Community College                             | Whiteville     | 1967                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southwestern Community College                             | Sylva          | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Stanly Community College                                   | Albemarle      | 1979                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Surry Community College                                    | Dobson         | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tri-County Community College                               | Murphy         | 1975                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| University of Mount Olive (formerly Mount Olive College)   | Mount Olive    | 1960                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |



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| The University of North Carolina at Asheville   | Asheville     | 1958                  | 2022                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | Chapel Hill   | 1895                  | 2017                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| The University of North Carolina at Charlotte   | Charlotte     | 1957                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| The University of North Carolina at Greensboro  | Greensboro    | 1921                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| University of North Carolina at Pembroke        | Pembroke      | 1951                  | 2020                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| University of North Carolina School of the Arts | Winston-Salem | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| The University of North Carolina at Wilmington  | Wilmington    | 1952                  | 2023                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Vance Granville Community College               | Henderson     | 1977                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wake Forest University                          | Winston-Salem | 1921                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Wake Technical Community College                | Raleigh       | 1970                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Warren Wilson College                           | Asheville     | 1952                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Wayne Community College                         | Goldsboro     | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Western Carolina University                     | Cullowhee     | 1946                  | 2017                       | P          | V     | B M ES D        |
| Western Piedmont Community College              | Morganton     | 1968                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wilkes Community College                        | Wilkesboro    | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| William Peace University                        | Raleigh       | 1947                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Wilson Community College                        | Wilson        | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wingate University                              | Wingate       | 1951                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Winston-Salem State University                  | Winston-Salem | 1947                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | B M D           |

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| Aiken Technical College            | Aiken      | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Allen University                   | Columbia   | 1992                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Anderson University                | Anderson   | 1959                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Benedict College                   | Columbia   | 1946                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Central Carolina Technical College | Sumter     | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Charleston Southern University     | Charleston | 1970                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| The Citadel                        | Charleston | 1924                  | 2024                       | P          | IV    | B M ES          |
| Claflin University                 | Orangeburg | 1947                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Clemson University                 | Clemson    | 1927                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M ES D        |
| Coastal Carolina University        | Conway     | 1976                  | 2022                       | P          | V     | A B M ES D      |
| Coker College                      | Hartsville | 1923                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |

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| College of Charleston                 | Charleston       | 1916                  | 2017                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| Columbia College                      | Columbia         | 1938                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Columbia International University     | Columbia         | 1982                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Converse College                      | Spartanburg      | 1912                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | B M ES          |
| Denmark Technical College             | Denmark          | 1979                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Erskine College                       | Due West         | 1925                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Florence-Darlington Technical College | Florence         | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Francis Marion University             | Florence         | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | IV    | A B M ES        |
| Furman University                     | Greenville       | 1924                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | B M ES          |
| Greenville Technical College          | Greenville       | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Horry-Georgetown Technical College    | Conway           | 1972                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lander University                     | Greenwood        | 1952                  | 2017                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| Limestone College                     | Gaffney          | 1928                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Medical University of South Carolina  | Charleston       | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Midlands Technical College            | Columbia         | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Morris College                        | Sumter           | 1978                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Newberry College                      | Newberry         | 1936                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| North Greenville University           | Tigerville       | 1957                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Northeastern Technical College        | Cheraw           | 1973                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College  | Orangeburg       | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Piedmont Technical College            | Greenwood        | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Presbyterian College                  | Clinton          | 1949                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B D             |
| Sherman College of Chiropractic       | Spartanburg      | 2002                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | D               |
| South Carolina State University       | Orangeburg       | 1941                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | B M ES D        |
| Southern Wesleyan University          | Central          | 1973                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Spartanburg Community College         | Spartanburg      | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Spartanburg Methodist College         | Spartanburg      | 1957                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | I     | A               |
| Technical College of the Lowcountry   | Beaufort         | 1978                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tri-County Technical College          | Pendleton        | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Trident Technical College             | North Charleston | 1974                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| University of South Carolina—Aiken    | Aiken            | 1977                  | 2021                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| University of South Carolina Beaufort | Bluffton         | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| University of South Carolina—Columbia | Columbia         | 1917                  | 2021                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| University of South Carolina Upstate  | Spartanburg      | 1976                  | 2022                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Voorhees College                      | Denmark          | 1946                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Williamsburg Technical College        | Kingstree        | 1977                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Winthrop University                   | Rock Hill        | 1923                  | 2021                       | P          | IV    | B M ES          |
| Wofford College                       | Spartanburg      | 1917                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| York Technical College                | Rock Hill        | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Aquinas College  | Nashville        | 1971                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Austin Peay State University   | Clarksville      | 1947                  | 2024                       | P          | IV    | A B M ES        |
| Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences                                      | Memphis          | 1999                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Belmont University   | Nashville        | 1959                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Bethel University  | McKenzie         | 1952                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Bryan College  | Dayton           | 1969                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Carson-Newman University   | Jefferson City   | 1921                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M ES D        |
| Chattanooga State Community College  | Chattanooga      | 1967                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Christian Brothers University  | Memphis          | 1958                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Cleveland State Community College  | Cleveland        | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Columbia State Community College   | Columbia         | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Cumberland University  | Lebanon          | 1962                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Dyersburg State Community College  | Dyersburg        | 1971                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| East Tennessee State University  | Johnson City     | 1927                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Fisk University  | Nashville        | 1930                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Freed-Hardeman University  | Henderson        | 1956                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M ES          |
| Jackson State Community College  | Jackson          | 1969                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| John A. Gupton College   | Nashville        | 1971                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | I     | A               |
| Johnson University (Merger of Johnson University with Florida Christian College) | Knoxville        | 2013*                 | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| King University  | Bristol          | 1947                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Lane College   | Jackson          | 1949                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Lee University   | Cleveland        | 1960                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | IV    | B M ES          |
| LeMoyne-Owen College   | Memphis          | 1939                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Lincoln Memorial University  | Harrogate        | 1936                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Lipscomb University  | Nashville        | 1954                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Martin Methodist College   | Pulaski          | 1952                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Maryville College  | Maryville        | 1922                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Meharry Medical College  | Nashville        | 1972                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Memphis College of Art   | Memphis          | 1963                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Memphis Theological Seminary   | Memphis          | 1988                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary   | Cordova          | 1981                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia  | Madison          | 1994                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Middle Tennessee State University  | Murfreesboro     | 1928                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | A B M ES D      |
| Milligan College (Merger of Milligan College with Emmanuel Christian Seminary)   | Milligan College | 2015*                 | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Motlow State Community College   | Lynchburg        | 1971                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Nashville State Community College             | Nashville   | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Northeast State Community College             | Blountville | 1984                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Pellissippi State Community College           | Knoxville   | 1977                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Pentecostal Theological Seminary              | Cleveland   | 1984                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | C M D           |
| Rhodes College                                | Memphis     | 1911                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Richmont Graduate University                  | Chattanooga | 2003                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | M               |
| Roane State Community College                 | Harriman    | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| South College                                 | Knoxville   | 2000                  | 2025                       | Pr, FP     | V     | A B M E D       |
| Southern Adventist University                 | Collegedale | 1950                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Southern College of Optometry                 | Memphis     | 1967                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | D               |
| Southwest Tennessee Community College         | Memphis     | 2000                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tennessee State University                    | Nashville   | 1946                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| Tennessee Technological University            | Cookeville  | 1939                  | 2016                       | P          | V     | A B M E S D     |
| Tennessee Wesleyan College                    | Athens      | 1926                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Trevecca Nazarene University                  | Nashville   | 1969                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Tusculum College                              | Greeneville | 1926                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Union University                              | Jackson     | 1948                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| The University of Memphis                     | Memphis     | 1927                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| University of the South                       | Sewanee     | 1895                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| The University of Tennessee                   | Knoxville   | 2000                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga    | Chattanooga | 1910                  | 2021                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| University of Tennessee Health Science Center | Memphis     | 2015*                 | 2020                       | P          | VI    | BMD             |
| The University of Tennessee at Martin         | Martin      | 1951                  | 2023                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Vanderbilt University                         | Nashville   | 1895                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Volunteer State Community College             | Gallatin    | 1973                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Walters State Community College               | Morristown  | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Watkins College of Art, Design & Film         | Nashville   | 2010                  | 2015                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Welch College                                 | Nashville   | 1996                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |

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| Abilene Christian University           | Abilene  | 1971                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Academy of Oriental Medicine at Austin | Austin   | 2009                  | 2024                       | Pr, FP     | V     | M D             |
| Alvin Community College                | Alvin    | 1959                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Amarillo College                       | Amarillo | 1933                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |

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| Amberton University                                 | Garland        | 1981                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine | Houston        | 2012                  | 2017                       | Pr, FP     | III   | M               |
| Angelina College                                    | Lufkin         | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Angelo State University                             | San Angelo     | 1936                  | 2023                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| The Art Institute of Houston                        | Houston        | 2000                  | 2025                       | Pr, FP     | II    | A B             |
| Austin College                                      | Sherman        | 1947                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Austin Community College                            | Austin         | 1978                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Austin Graduate School of Theology                  | Austin         | 1987                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary            | Austin         | 1973                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary | Jacksonville   | 1986                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Baylor College of Medicine                          | Houston        | 1970                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Baylor University                                   | Waco           | 1914                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Blinn College                                       | Brenham        | 1950                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Brazosport College                                  | Lake Jackson   | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Brite Divinity School                               | Fort Worth     | 2007                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | D               |
| Brookhaven College                                  | Dallas         | 1979                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Cedar Valley College                                | Lancaster      | 1979                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Central Texas College                               | Killeen        | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Cisco College                                       | Cisco          | 1958                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Clarendon College                                   | Clarendon      | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Coastal Bend College                                | Beeville       | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| College of Biblical Studies—Houston                 | Houston        | 2013                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| College of the Mainland                             | Texas City     | 1969                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Collin County Community College District            | McKinney       | 1989                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Concordia University Texas                          | Austin         | 1968                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Criswell College                                    | Dallas         | 1985                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Dallas Baptist University                           | Dallas         | 1959                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Dallas Theological Seminary                         | Dallas         | 1969                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Del Mar College                                     | Corpus Christi | 1946                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| East Texas Baptist University                       | Marshall       | 1957                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Eastfield College                                   | Mesquite       | 1972                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| El Centro College                                   | Dallas         | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| El Paso County Community College District           | El Paso        | 1978                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Frank Phillips College                              | Borger         | 1958                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Galveston College                                   | Galveston      | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics           | Dallas         | 2005                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Grayson College                                     | Denison        | 1967                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Hardin-Simmons University                           | Abilene        | 1927                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |



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| Hill College                      | Hillsboro     | 1966                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Houston Baptist University        | Houston       | 1968                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Houston Community College         | Houston       | 1977                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Howard College                    | Big Spring    | 1955                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Howard Payne University           | Brownwood     | 1948                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Huston-Tillotson University       | Austin        | 1943                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Jacksonville College              | Jacksonville  | 1974                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | I     | A               |
| Jarvis Christian College          | Hawkins       | 1967                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Kilgore College                   | Kilgore       | 1939                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lamar Institute of Technology     | Beaumont      | 2000                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lamar State College—Orange        | Orange        | 1989                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lamar State College—Port Arthur   | Port Arthur   | 1988                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lamar University                  | Beaumont      | 1955                  | 2019                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Laredo Community College          | Laredo        | 1957                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lee College                       | Baytown       | 1948                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| LeTourneau University             | Longview      | 1970                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Lone Star College System          | The Woodlands | 1976                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lubbock Christian University      | Lubbock       | 1963                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| McLennan Community College        | Waco          | 1968                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| McMurry University                | Abilene       | 1949                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Midland College                   | Midland       | 1975                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Midwestern State University       | Wichita Falls | 1950                  | 2023                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Mountain View College             | Dallas        | 1972                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Navarro College                   | Corsicana     | 1954                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| North Central Texas College       | Gainesville   | 1961                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| North Lake College                | Irving        | 1979                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Northeast Texas Community College | Mt. Pleasant  | 1987                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Northwest Vista College           | San Antonio   | 2001                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Oblate School of Theology         | San Antonio   | 1968                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| Odessa College                    | Odessa        | 1952                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Our Lady of the Lake University   | San Antonio   | 1923                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Palo Alto College                 | San Antonio   | 1987                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Panola College                    | Carthage      | 1960                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Paris Junior College              | Paris         | 1934                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Parker University                 | Dallas        | 1987                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Prairie View A&M University       | Prairie View  | 1934                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Ranger College                    | Ranger        | 1968                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Richland College                  | Dallas        | 1974                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Saint Philip's College            | San Antonio   | 1951                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Sam Houston State University      | Huntsville    | 1925                  | 2019                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| San Antonio College               | San Antonio   | 1952                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |

| Institution   | City            | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| The San Jacinto College District  | Pasadena        | 1966                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Schreiner University  | Kerrville       | 1934                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Seminary of the Southwest   | Austin          | 1983                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | M               |
| South Plains College  | Levelland       | 1963                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| South Texas College   | McAllen         | 1995                  | 2021                       | P          | II    | A B             |
| Southern Methodist University   | Dallas          | 1921                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Southwest Texas Junior College  | Uvalde          | 1964                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southwestern Adventist University   | Keene           | 1958                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Southwestern Assemblies of God University   | Waxahachie      | 1968                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M           |
| Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary   | Fort Worth      | 1969                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Southwestern Christian College  | Terrell         | 1973                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Southwestern University   | Georgetown      | 1915                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| St. Edward's University   | Austin          | 1958                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| St. Mary's University   | San Antonio     | 1949                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Stephen F. Austin State University  | Nacogdoches     | 1927                  | 2021                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Sul Ross State University   | Alpine          | 1929                  | 2018                       | P          | III   | A B M           |
| Tarleton State University   | Stephenville    | 1926                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Tarrant County College District   | Fort Worth      | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Temple College  | Temple          | 1959                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Texarkana College   | Texarkana       | 1931                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Texas A&M International University  | Laredo          | 1970                  | 2025                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Texas A&M University (Merger of Texas A&M University and Texas A&M Health Science Center)         | College Station | 2013*                 | 2022                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas A&M University—Central Texas (Formerly accredited as part of Tarleton State University)     | Killeen         | 2013*                 | 2018                       | P          | IV    | B M ES          |
| Texas A&M University—Commerce   | Commerce        | 1925                  | 2024                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Texas A&M University—Corpus Christi   | Corpus Christi  | 1975                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Texas A&M University—Kingsville   | Kingsville      | 1933                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas A&M University—San Antonio (Formerly accredited as part of Texas A&M University—Kingsville) | San Antonio     | 2014*                 | 2019                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| Texas A&M University—Texarkana  | Texarkana       | 1979                  | 2016                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Texas Chiropractic College  | Pasadena        | 1984                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B D             |
| Texas Christian University  | Fort Worth      | 1922                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas College   | Tyler           | 2001                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| Texas Lutheran University   | Seguin          | 1940                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Texas Southern University   | Houston         | 1948                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas Southmost College   | Brownsville     | 1932–1995/2015*       | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |

| Institution  | City        | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Texas State Technical College (Merged Texas State Technical College in Harlingen, in West Texas, in Marshall, and in Waco) | Waco        | 2015*                 | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Texas State University   | San Marcos  | 1925                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas Tech University  | Lubbock     | 1928                  | 2025                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center   | Lubbock     | 2004                  | 2019                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Texas Wesleyan University  | Fort Worth  | 1949                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Texas Woman's University   | Denton      | 1923                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| Trinity University   | San Antonio | 1946                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Trinity Valley Community College   | Athens      | 1952                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tyler Junior College   | Tyler       | 1931                  | 2021                       | P          | I     | A               |
| The University of Dallas   | Irving      | 1963                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| University of Houston  | Houston     | 1954                  | 2018                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| University of Houston-Clear Lake   | Houston     | 1976                  | 2022                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| University of Houston—Downtown   | Houston     | 1976                  | 2016                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| University of Houston—Victoria   | Victoria    | 1978                  | 2024                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| University of the Incarnate Word   | San Antonio | 1925                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| University of Mary Hardin—Baylor   | Belton      | 1926                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| University of North Texas  | Denton      | 1925                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| University of North Texas at Dallas (Formerly accredited as part of the University of North Texas)                         | Dallas      | 2013*                 | 2018                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth  | Fort Worth  | 1995                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | D               |
| University of St. Thomas   | Houston     | 1954                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| The University of Texas at Arlington   | Arlington   | 1964                  | 2017                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Texas at Austin  | Austin      | 1901                  | 2018                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| University of Texas at Brownsville—Texas Southmost College **  | Brownsville | 1995                  | 2018                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| The University of Texas at Dallas  | Richardson  | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Texas at El Paso   | El Paso     | 1936                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston   | Houston     | 1973                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio   | San Antonio | 1973                  | 2018                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler   | Tyler       | 2015                  | 2020                       | P          | III   | M               |
| The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center  | Houston     | 2005                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston  | Galveston   | 1973                  | 2018                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| The University of Texas of the Permian Basin   | Odessa      | 1975                  | 2020                       | P          | III   | B M             |

| Institution   | City        | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| The University of Texas of the Rio Grande Valley (Formerly called The University of Texas—Pan American) | Edinburg    | 1932                  | 2017                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| The University of Texas at San Antonio  | San Antonio | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center   | Dallas      | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |
| The University of Texas at Tyler  | Tyler       | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Vernon College  | Vernon      | 1974                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Victoria College  | Victoria    | 1951                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wade College  | Dallas      | 1985                  | 2020                       | Pr, FP     | II    | A B             |
| Wayland Baptist University  | Plainview   | 1956                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Weatherford College   | Weatherford | 1956                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| West Texas A&M University   | Canyon      | 1925                  | 2016                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Western Texas College   | Snyder      | 1973                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wharton County Junior College   | Wharton     | 1951                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Wiley College   | Marshall    | 1933                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| William Marsh Rice University   | Houston     | 1914                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |

## Virginia

| Institution                           | City           | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Appalachian College of Pharmacy       | Oakwood        | 2011                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | D               |
| Averett University                    | Danville       | 1928                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Blue Ridge Community College          | Weyers Cave    | 1969                  | 2025                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Bluefield College                     | Bluefield      | 1949                  | 2023                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Bridgewater College                   | Bridgewater    | 1925                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Central Virginia Community College    | Lynchburg      | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Christendom College                   | Front Royal    | 1996                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Christopher Newport University        | Newport News   | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| The College of William & Mary         | Williamsburg   | 1921                  | 2016                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Dabney S. Lancaster Community College | Clifton Forge  | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Danville Community College            | Danville       | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Eastern Mennonite University          | Harrisonburg   | 1959                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| Eastern Shore Community College       | Melfa          | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Eastern Virginia Medical School       | Norfolk        | 1984                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |
| ECPI University                       | Virginia Beach | 1998                  | 2023                       | Pr, FP     | III   | A B M           |
| Emory & Henry College                 | Emory          | 1925                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Ferrum College                        | Ferrum         | 1960                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | A B             |
| George Mason University               | Fairfax        | 1972                  | 2021                       | P          | VI    | B M D           |

| Institution                                  | City            | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Germana Community College                    | Locust Grove    | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Hampden-Sydney College                       | Hampden-Sydney  | 1919                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Hampton University                           | Hampton         | 1932                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Hollins University                           | Roanoke         | 1932                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| The Institute for the Psychological Sciences | Arlington       | 2005                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | D               |
| J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College       | Richmond        | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| James Madison University                     | Harrisonburg    | 1927                  | 2023                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Jefferson College of Health Sciences         | Roanoke         | 1986                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | A B M           |
| John Tyler Community College                 | Chester         | 1969                  | 2023                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Liberty University, Inc.                     | Lynchburg       | 1980                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M E S D     |
| Longwood University                          | Farmville       | 1927                  | 2024                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| Lord Fairfax Community College               | Middletown      | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Lynchburg College                            | Lynchburg       | 1927                  | 2024                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Marine Corps University                      | Quantico        | 1999                  | 2025                       | P          | III   | M               |
| Mary Baldwin College                         | Staunton        | 1931                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Marymount University                         | Arlington       | 1958                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| Mountain Empire Community College            | Big Stone Gap   | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| New River Community College                  | Dublin          | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Norfolk State University                     | Norfolk         | 1969                  | 2018                       | P          | V     | A B M D         |
| Northern Virginia Community College          | Annandale       | 1968                  | 2022                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Old Dominion University                      | Norfolk         | 1961                  | 2022                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| Patrick Henry Community College              | Martinsville    | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Paul D. Camp Community College               | Franklin        | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Piedmont Virginia Community College          | Charlottesville | 1974                  | 2020                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Radford University                           | Radford         | 1928                  | 2022                       | P          | V     | B M E S D       |
| Randolph College                             | Lynchburg       | 1902                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Randolph-Macon College                       | Ashland         | 1904                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Rappahannock Community College               | Glenns          | 1973                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Regent University                            | Virginia Beach  | 1984                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Richard Bland College                        | Petersburg      | 1961                  | 2019                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Roanoke College                              | Salem           | 1927                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Shenandoah University                        | Winchester      | 1973                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | A B M D         |
| Southern Virginia University                 | Buena Vista     | 2012                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Southside Virginia Community College         | Alberta         | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Southwest Virginia Community College         | Cedar Bluff     | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Sweet Briar College                          | Sweet Briar     | 1920                  | 2021                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |
| Thomas Nelson Community College              | Hampton         | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Tidewater Community College                  | Norfolk         | 1971                  | 2017                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Union Presbyterian Seminary                  | Richmond        | 1997                  | 2022                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | M D             |



| Institution   | City            | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| University of Mary Washington                       | Fredericksburg  | 1930                  | 2023                       | P          | III   | B M             |
| University of Richmond                              | Richmond        | 1910                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | A B M D         |
| University of Virginia                              | Charlottesville | 1904                  | 2017                       | P          | VI    | B M E S D       |
| The University of Virginia's College at Wise        | Wise            | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | II    | B               |
| Virginia Commonwealth University                    | Richmond        | 1953                  | 2024                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Virginia Highlands Community College                | Abingdon        | 1972                  | 2018                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Virginia Military Institute                         | Lexington       | 1926                  | 2017                       | P          | II    | B               |
| Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University | Blacksburg      | 1923                  | 2019                       | P          | VI    | A B M D         |
| Virginia State University                           | Petersburg      | 1933                  | 2018                       | P          | V     | B M D           |
| Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine           | Roanoke         | 2014                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | D               |
| Virginia Union University                           | Richmond        | 1935                  | 2020                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Virginia Wesleyan College                           | Norfolk         | 1970                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | II    | B               |
| Virginia Western Community College                  | Roanoke         | 1969                  | 2024                       | P          | I     | A               |
| Washington and Lee University                       | Lexington       | 1895                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B D             |
| Wytheville Community College                        | Wytheville      | 1970                  | 2016                       | P          | I     | A               |

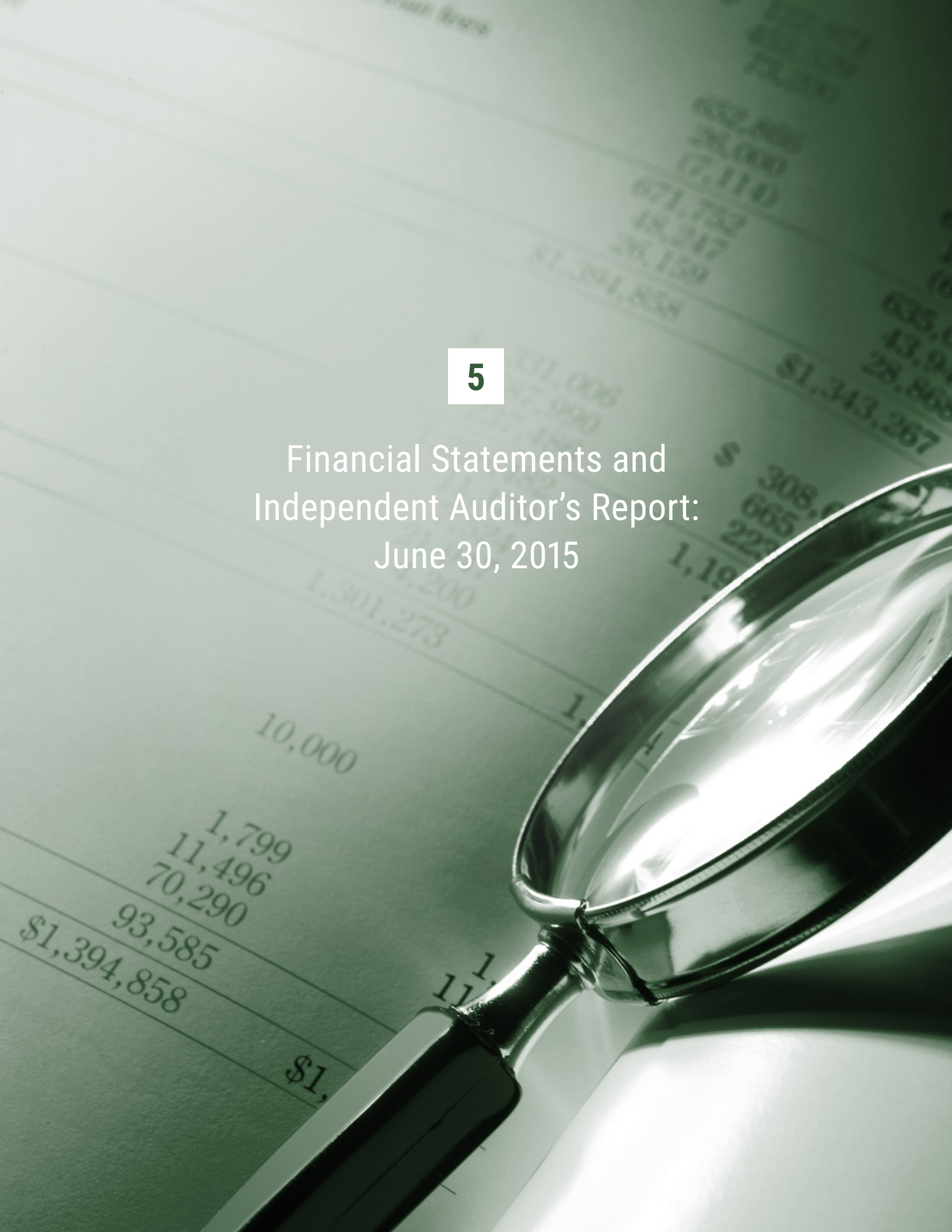
## International

| Institution   | Country              | Initial Accreditation | Date of Next Reaffirmation | Governance | Level | Degrees Offered |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| The American University in Dubai                            | United Arab Emirates | 2007                  | 2022                       | Pr, FP     | III   | B M             |
| Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla                | Mexico               | 1959                  | 2025                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Instituto Centroamericano de Administracion de Empresas     | Costa Rica           | 1994                  | 2019                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | M               |
| Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey | Mexico               | 1950                  | 2018                       | Pr, NFP    | VI    | B M D           |
| Universidad de las Americas—A.C.                            | Mexico               | 1991                  | 2017                       | Pr, NFP    | V     | B M D           |
| Universidad de Monterrey                                    | Mexico               | 2001                  | 2016                       | Pr, NFP    | III   | B M             |

## Candidate Institution

| Institution                        | City         | State | Governance | Level | Degree Offered | Candidacy Date |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-------|------------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| Oconee Fall Line Technical College | Sandersville | GA    | P          | I     | A              | 11–Jun–15      |

Financial Statements and  
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June 30, 2015



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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Board of Trustees  
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools  
Commission on Colleges, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. (the Commission), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2015, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Commission's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as of June 30, 2015, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.*

CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC

Atlanta, Georgia  
October 5, 2015

**Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.**  
**Statement of Financial Position**

June 30, 2015

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| <b>Assets</b>  |               |
| Current assets   |               |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$ 4,309,334  |
| Investments  | 6,332,360     |
| Receivables  |               |
| Accreditation visitations  | 304,322       |
| Other  | 160,936       |
|  | 465,258       |
| Less allowance for doubtful accounts   | 20,000        |
|  | 445,258       |
| Current portion, litigation settlements, net of<br>allowance for doubtful accounts of \$132,498      | 132,498       |
| Other current assets   | 238,007       |
|  | 11,457,457    |
| Total current assets   | 11,457,457    |
| Property and equipment, net  | 3,696,899     |
| Other assets   |               |
| Website development costs  | 156,884       |
| Litigation settlements, net of allowance for<br>doubtful accounts of \$435,062, less current portion | 435,062       |
| Due from related parties   | 24,418        |
| Investments - deferred compensation  | 404,028       |
|  | 1,020,392     |
| Total assets   | \$ 16,174,748 |



**Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.**  
**Statement of Financial Position (Continued)**

June 30, 2015

**Liabilities and Net Assets**

Current liabilities

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Accounts payable - trade  | \$ 188,955 |
| Accrued expenses  | 502,014    |
| Deferred revenue  |            |
| Membership dues   | 3,202,801  |
| Other   | 1,601,279  |
| Current portion due to related party - post retirement benefit obligation | 159,429    |

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Total current liabilities | 5,654,478 |
|---------------------------|-----------|

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Deferred compensation | 404,028 |
|-----------------------|---------|

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Due to related party - post-retirement benefit obligation, less<br>current portion | 2,117,322 |
|--|-----------|

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Commitments and contingencies | - |
|-------------------------------|---|

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Total net assets, unrestricted | 7,998,920 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Total liabilities and net assets | \$ 16,174,748 |
|----------------------------------|---------------|

*The accompanying footnotes are an integral part of this statement.*

**Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.**  
**Statement of Activities**

Year ended June 30, 2015

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| <b>Revenues and support</b>                                   |                     |
| Membership dues   | \$ 5,903,018        |
| Registration fees and exhibits                                | 3,557,796           |
| Application and special fees                                  | 765,366             |
| Dividend and interest income                                  | 157,544             |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments               | (85,133)            |
| Other income  | 150,163             |
| <hr/>   |                     |
| Total revenues and support                                    | 10,448,754          |
| <br><b>Expenses for accreditation and supporting services</b> |                     |
| Employee compensation and benefits                            | 6,988,751           |
| General and administrative                                    | 2,684,359           |
| Meetings, workshops and seminars                              | 1,120,078           |
| <hr/>   |                     |
| Total expenses for accreditation and supporting services      | 10,793,188          |
| <hr/>   |                     |
| <b>Change in net assets, unrestricted</b>                     | (344,434)           |
| <br><b>Net assets, unrestricted at June 30, 2014</b>          |                     |
|   | 8,343,354           |
| <hr/>   |                     |
| <b>Net assets, unrestricted at June 30, 2015</b>              | <b>\$ 7,998,920</b> |
| <hr/>   |                     |

# Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.

## Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended June 30, 2015

### Operating activities

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Change in net assets   | \$ (344,434) |
| Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities |              |
| Provision (recovery) for doubtful accounts   | (122,498)    |
| Depreciation   | 201,091      |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments  | 85,133       |
| (Increase) decrease in assets and increase (decrease) in liabilities                       |              |
| Receivables  | (301,947)    |
| Litigation settlements   | 294,996      |
| Due to/from related parties  | 306,185      |
| Prepaid expenses   | 54,868       |
| Accounts payable - trade   | (248,321)    |
| Accrued expenses   | 51,953       |
| Deferred revenue   | (101,867)    |

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Net cash used in operating activities | (124,841) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|

### Investing activities

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Capital expenditures and capitalized software costs | (15,295) |
| Net purchases of investments                        | (93,484) |

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Net cash used in investing activities | (108,779) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (233,620) |
|---|-----------|

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2014 | 4,542,954 |
|--|-----------|

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2015 | \$ 4,309,334 |
|--|--------------|

### Supplemental schedule of non-cash investing and financing activities and certain cash flow information:

There were no noncash investing and financing activities during the year ended June 30, 2015.

*The accompanying footnotes are an integral part of this statement.*

## **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. (the Commission), a Georgia nonprofit corporation, without capital stock, and a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Inc. (SACS). The Commission was incorporated exclusively for educational purposes, and is the regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the southern United States. The Commission grants normal credit terms to its members.

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

A summary of the significant accounting policies of the Commission applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

#### ***Financial Statement Presentation***

The Commission's financial statements are prepared in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities* (ASC 958). Under ASC 958, the Commission is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets. The Commission considers all of its net assets to be unrestricted net assets. In addition, the Commission is required to present a statement of cash flows.

#### ***Allowance for Doubtful Accounts***

The Commission provides an allowance for doubtful accounts equal to the estimated collection losses that will be incurred in the collection of all receivables. The estimated losses are based upon historical collection experience coupled with a review of the current status of existing receivables.

#### ***Property and Equipment***

Property and equipment is stated at cost. The Commission capitalizes property and equipment with a cost of \$1,000 or more and a useful life in excess of one year. Depreciation of property and equipment is provided in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis.

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### Notes to Financial Statements

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

##### *Property and Equipment (continued)*

The components of property and equipment at June 30, 2015, are as follows:

| Class of Asset                    | Estimated Useful Lives (years) |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Building                          | 25                             | \$ 2,769,875 |
| Furniture, fixtures and equipment | 3-10                           | 1,637,818    |
|                                   |                                | 4,407,693    |
| Less accumulated depreciation     |                                | 1,960,794    |
|                                   |                                | 2,446,899    |
| Land                              |                                | 1,250,000    |
|                                   |                                | \$ 3,696,899 |

##### *Website Development Costs*

Website development costs relate to a system being developed by the Commission to support the production of webinars. The system will allow schools to access training and other webinars to help further support the relationship between the Commission and the schools it services. Costs incurred during application development have been capitalized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The following is a summary of website development costs at June 30, 2015:

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Software and hardware - not in service    | \$ 28,076  |
| Web-based training modules-not in service | 128,808    |
|   | \$ 156,884 |

Website development costs will be amortized over its estimated useful life and the amortization expense will be charged to operations. No charges have been made to depreciation and amortization, as the system has not reached technological feasibility as of June 30, 2015. Total budgeted costs for the system are expected to be approximately \$157,000 and will reach technological feasibility in fiscal year 2016.

##### *Revenue Recognition*

Revenue is recognized as services are provided and on a pro-rata basis over the accreditation period. Revenue from publication sales is recognized upon shipment to the customer.

##### *Deferred Revenue*

Deferred revenue reported as a current liability represents membership dues and registration fees related to future periods, which were received prior to the end of the fiscal year.

**Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

***Concentrations of Credit Risk***

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Commission to concentrations of credit risk, are principally receivables and investments. Concentration of credit risk with respect to receivables is limited due to the members comprising the Commission's member base and the profession in which its members operate. To reduce risk, the Commission routinely assesses the financial strength of its members and, as a consequence, believes that its receivables credit risk exposure is limited. Concentration of credit risk with respect to investments is limited due to the diversified nature of the Commission's investment portfolio (Note 2). To further reduce credit risk, the Commission's Administrative Council and the Trust Department of the Commission's principal investment institution routinely assess the financial strength and diversification of the investments.

***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Commission considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

***Income Taxes***

The Commission is exempt from federal income taxes under the provisions of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). The Internal Revenue Service has also determined that the Commission is not a private foundation as defined by §509(a)(1) of the Code.

**NOTE 2: INVESTMENTS**

Investments at June 30, 2015, are recorded at market value based on quoted market prices in accordance with FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* (ASC 820). The Commission's investments represent funds held for future operational or capital needs. Changes in the basis of investments held at the end of the year are reflected in the statement of activities as unrealized appreciation/depreciation in the market value of investments. Realized gains and losses on the sale of investments are recorded based upon the difference between the proceeds and the basis of the investments. The basis of the investments is determined by the specific-identification method. Interest income and dividends are recognized when earned.



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**NOTE 2: INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

ASC 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price).

ASC 820 classifies inputs used to measure fair value into the following hierarchy:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, or unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis comprise investments totaling \$6,332,360 as of June 30, 2015.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, investments at fair value as of June 30, 2015:

|   | Level 1             | Level 2     | Level 3     | Total               |
|---|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Publicly traded commons stocks                        | \$ 3,662,396        | \$ -        | \$ -        | \$ 3,662,396        |
| Fixed income - bonds and bond mutual funds            | 1,533,785           | -           | -           | 1,533,785           |
| Alternative strategies - publicly traded mutual funds | 631,760             | -           | -           | 631,760             |
| Publicly traded real estate investment trusts         | 318,616             | -           | -           | 318,616             |
| Exchange traded fund                                  | 185,803             | -           | -           | 185,803             |
|   | <u>\$ 6,332,360</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 6,332,360</u> |

Generally, for all investments, fair value is determined by reference to quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions. The investments are managed by Fifth Third Bank.

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**NOTE 3: LITIGATION SETTLEMENTS**

In August 2007, the Commission was named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by a member. The member was seeking restoration of accreditation, related costs and attorney's fees. In May 2010, a consent order was issued whereby the Commission agreed to continue the member's accreditation for an additional year ending in May 2011. Also in May 2010, a release of claims and settlement agreement was reached between the Commission and member, awarding the Commission the recovery of attorney fees in the amount of \$1,000,000. In accordance with the settlement, the member paid \$200,000 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The member also signed a note payable to the Commission for the remaining \$800,000, to be payable in annual installments of \$100,000, with the final installment and accrued interest, at a rate of 3%, to be paid on January 31, 2020.

At June 30, 2015, the Commission has recognized the settlement award as a note receivable in the amount of \$400,000, net of an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts of approximately \$200,000.

The Commission filed a lawsuit against a member during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The member was originally seeking restoration of accreditation, of which the court did not grant. The Commission filed suit seeking the recovery of attorney's fees related to previous suits. In October 2011, a release of claims and settlement agreement was reached between them. The member signed a note payable to the Commission for \$600,000, to be payable in ten annual installments of various amounts, with the final installment and accrued interest, at a rate of 3%, to be paid on June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2015, the Commission has recognized the settlement award as a note receivable in the amount of \$375,000, net of an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts of approximately \$187,500.

In August 2009, the Commission was named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by a member. The member was seeking restoration of accreditation. In December 2011, a release of claims and settlement agreement was reached where the Commission was awarded a recovery of attorney fees in the amount of \$550,000. In accordance with the settlement, the member is required to pay seven annual installments of various amounts including interest at a rate of 3%, with the final payment to be made June 30, 2018. At June 30, 2015, the Commission has recognized the settlement award as a note receivable in the amount of \$360,000, net of an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts of approximately \$180,000.

**NOTE 4: PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS**

The Commission has a contributory Defined Contribution Pension Plan (the Plan) in which substantially all employees of the Commission are required to participate. Under the requirements of the Plan, the employees contribute 2.5% of their regular salary (as defined), and the Commission contributes 12.5% of the employee's regular salary (as defined) for the purchase of individual deferred mutual funds from Lincoln Financial. The Commission's pension expense for the year ended June 30, 2015, was approximately \$573,000.

## Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### NOTE 4: PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

The Commission, along with the Career and Technical Education Consortium of States, Inc. (CTECS) and Advance Education, Inc. (AdvancED), provides certain health care insurance benefits for retired employees and their dependents. The Plan has been closed to new participants. Certain employees become eligible for health care insurance benefits if they retire after they reach 60 years of age and achieve 10 years of continuous service while working for the Commission. The Commission accounts for these benefits under FASB ASC 715, *Compensation - Retirement Benefits* (ASC 715), which requires a company that sponsors a postretirement benefit plan to recognize in its statement of financial position, the funded status of a benefit plan.

Each entity is responsible for employee benefits for employees that retired from each respective entity. Based on the allocations of employees retired from each employer, approximately 60% of the benefit obligations have been allocated to the Commission, and the remaining portion has been allocated to CTECS and AdvancED. The Commission contributed approximately \$163,000 to pay benefits during the year ended June 30, 2015.

The disclosure below represents the total benefit obligation for the entire plan as well as the Commission's allocated portion.

#### ***Obligations and Funded Status***

The change in the postretirement benefit obligation for the year ended June 30, 2015, is as follows:

|  | Total Plan          | Commission<br>Portion |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Benefit obligation at beginning of year  | \$ 3,558,173        | \$ 2,059,995          |
| Service cost                             | 35,933              | 21,422                |
| Interest cost                            | 163,569             | 97,512                |
| Actuarial loss                           | 334,350             | 260,548               |
| Benefits paid                            | (272,959)           | (162,726)             |
| <b>Benefit obligation at end of year</b> | <b>\$ 3,819,066</b> | <b>\$ 2,276,751</b>   |

The change in the Plan's assets for the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2015, is as follows:

|                                  | Total Plan  | Commission<br>Portion |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Plan assets at beginning of year | \$ -        | \$ -                  |
| Employer contributions           | 272,959     | 162,726               |
| Benefits paid                    | (272,959)   | (162,726)             |
| <b>Plan assets at year end</b>   | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ -</b>           |

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**NOTE 4: PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)**

***Obligations and Funded Status (continued)***

Amounts recognized in the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2015, are as follows:

|                        | Total Plan            | Commission<br>Portion |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Current liabilities    | \$ (267,429)          | \$ (159,429)          |
| Noncurrent liabilities | (3,551,637)           | (2,117,322)           |
| <b>Funded status</b>   | <b>\$ (3,819,066)</b> | <b>\$ (2,276,751)</b> |

Amounts recognized in net assets:

|   | Total Plan          | Commission<br>Portion |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Net actuarial loss                      | \$ 1,333,987        | \$ 795,261            |
| <b>Accumulated change in net assets</b> | <b>\$ 1,333,987</b> | <b>\$ 795,261</b>     |

**Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost and Other Amounts Recognized in Net Assets**

Net Periodic Benefit Cost:

|                                  | Total Plan        | Commission<br>Portion |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Service cost                     | \$ 35,933         | \$ 21,422             |
| Interest cost                    | 163,569           | 97,512                |
| <b>Net periodic benefit cost</b> | <b>\$ 199,502</b> | <b>\$ 118,934</b>     |

Other Changes in the Plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in net assets:

|  |                   |                   |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Actuarial loss   | \$ 334,350        | \$ 199,324        |
| Net periodic benefit cost  | 199,502           | 118,934           |
| <b>Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost and net assets:</b> | <b>\$ 533,852</b> | <b>\$ 318,258</b> |

## Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc.

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### NOTE 4: PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

##### *Weighted Average Assumptions*

For disclosure as of June 30, 2015:

|                    |                                       |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Discount rate      | 4.29%                                 |
| Medical trend rate | 7.00% grades to 5.00%<br>over 4 years |

For measuring net periodic cost at the beginning of year:

|                    |                                       |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Discount rate      | 4.20%                                 |
| Medical trend rate | 7.50% grades to 5.00%<br>over 5 years |

The Commission, CTECS and AdvancED expect to contribute a combined \$273,000 to the postretirement benefit plan from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service and decrements as appropriate, discount rate projections, and health care cost trend rate estimates, are expected to be paid for subsequent fiscal years:

| Year ending June 30, | Total Plan          | Commission<br>Portion |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 2016                 | \$ 273,000          | \$ 162,750            |
| 2017                 | 279,000             | 166,327               |
| 2018                 | 292,000             | 174,077               |
| 2019                 | 286,000             | 170,500               |
| 2020                 | 279,000             | 166,327               |
| 2021-2024            | 1,291,000           | 769,635               |
|                      | <b>\$ 2,700,000</b> | <b>\$ 1,609,616</b>   |

If the health care cost trend rates were increased by 1% for all future years, the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for the total plan as of June 30, 2015, would have increased by approximately \$303,000. The aggregate of the service and interest cost for the total plan for the year ended June 30, 2015, would have increased by approximately \$18,000. If the health care cost trend rates were decreased by 1% for all future years, the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for the total plan as of June 30, 2015, would have decreased by approximately \$257,000. The aggregate of the service and interest cost for the total plan for the year ended June 30, 2015, would have decreased by approximately \$15,000.

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**NOTE 5: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

The Commission leases certain vehicles and equipment under non-cancelable lease agreements expiring at various dates through September 2016. The leases are classified as operating leases in accordance with FASB ASC 840, *Leases*. Rent expense was approximately \$68,000 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the non-cancelable operating leases as of June 30, 2015:

| Year ending June 30, | Total Plan |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2016                 | \$ 68,000  |
| 2017                 | 27,000     |
|                      | \$ 95,000  |

The Commission has cash deposits and investment accounts with financial institutions, which fluctuate from time to time in excess of the insured limitation of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. If these financial institutions were not to honor their contractual liability, the Commission could incur losses. Management is of the opinion that there is no risk of loss because of the financial strength of these financial institutions.

From time to time, the Commission may have asserted and unasserted claims arising in the normal course of business, most often these claims involve the Commission's denial of accreditation of a member institution. The Commission does not expect losses, if any, arising from these asserted and unasserted claims to have a material effect on the financial statements.

**NOTE 6: DEFERRED COMPENSATION**

The Commission has entered into deferred compensation agreements with certain current and former employees. These agreements require the Commission to pay a portion of each employee's salary into a salary continuation account that is invested into certain investments as defined by the agreements. These payments are required to continue through each employee's stated vested date. Upon retirement and participant request, the fair values of the salary continuation accounts are to be paid to the employees in sixty substantially equal monthly installments. At June 30, 2015, the investments – deferred compensation are presented at fair value based on Level 2 measurements.



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### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **NOTE 7: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

SACS has an agreement with an insurance carrier whereby SACS and the Commission's group health insurance are partially self-insured. Under the agreement, SACS and the Commission fund each employee and/or his/her dependent claims up to a maximum of \$50,000 annually. The maximum liability to the claim fund cannot exceed \$1,000,000 annually. At June 30, 2015, the Commission had no unfunded liability for submitted claims. Claims for occurrences prior to June 30, 2015, were unknown at that date and are estimated to be insignificant.

As discussed in Note 4, SACS also maintains a plan that provides certain health care insurance benefits for retired employees and their dependents. The Commission has certain employees and former employees that participate in this plan. SACS accounts for these benefits under FASB ASC 715, which requires an entity that sponsors a postretirement benefit plan to recognize in its statement of financial position, the funded status of the benefit plan. Accordingly, the entire funded status at June 30, 2015, has been recorded by SACS.

The Commission's portion of the obligation in the amount of \$2,276,751 has been recognized as due to related party - post retirement benefit obligation in the accompanying statement of financial position.

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the Commission charged CTECS \$50,000 for the use of business administration personnel and office space. At June 30, 2015, the Commission had a receivable of approximately \$20,000 due from CTECS for various operating expenses paid by the Commission on behalf of CTECS.

Management of the Commission jointly approves the annual operating budget for SACS with AdvancED and funds approximately 50% of this through a contribution to SACS. While the Commission is not legally obligated to fund the operations of SACS, management plans to continue funding half of the SACS operating budget for the foreseeable future. The Commission's portion of SACS operations amounted to approximately \$30,000 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### **NOTE 8: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 5, 2015, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.



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