The following publicly available information is provided by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) concerning the accreditation of Point University. Information presented below is in accord with SACSCOC’s disclosure policy; SACSCOC staff cannot comment further on questions specifically related to Point University. The institution has reviewed this statement prior to public posting and was invited to submit official comments regarding SACSCOC Board of Trustees action.

Action by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees took place on June 16, 2022, and the institution’s next review will occur June 2023.

What is the accreditation status of Point University? Point University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and was placed on Warning. SACSCOC accreditation includes all components of the institution—all programs, branch campuses, off-campus sites, and distance learning programs as reported to SACSCOC; thus, the Warning status applies to the entire institution.

What does it mean to be continued in accreditation and placed on Warning? A Warning imposed by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees follows a determination of significant non-compliance with the Core Requirements or Standards of the Principles of Accreditation, the accreditation standards of SACSCOC; failure to make timely and significant progress toward correcting the deficiencies that led to the findings of non-compliance; or failure to comply with SACSCOC policies and procedures. The maximum total time during a monitoring period that an institution may be on Warning is two years. In June 2023, Point University will have been on Warning for one (1) year. For additional information about sanctions, see the SACSCOC policy entitled “Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership.”

Why was Point University continued in accreditation and placed on Warning? Point University was continued in accreditation and placed on Warning because the SACSCOC Board of Trustees determined that the institution failed to demonstrate compliance with the Principles of Accreditation, namely, Core Requirement 6.1 (Full-time faculty), Standard 6.2.b (Program faculty). These standards expect an institution: (1) to employ an adequate number of full-time faculty members to support the mission and goals of the institution; and (2) institution to employ a sufficient number of full-time faculty members to ensure curriculum and program quality, integrity, and review. (To read the full statements for the standards cited above, access the Principles of Accreditation: Foundation for Quality Enhancement.)

What will happen in June 2023? The SACSCOC Board of Trustees will consider the accreditation status of Point University following a review of a Monitoring Report submitted by the institution addressing the standards cited above. The Board will have the following options: (1) remove the institution from Warning without an additional report; (2) continue accreditation, continue Warning, request a Monitoring Report, with or without authorizing a Special Committee; (3) continue accreditation, place the institution on Probation, request a Monitoring Report, and authorize a Special Committee; or (4) remove the institution from membership for failure to comply with the Principles of Accreditation. SACSCOC staff will not speculate on what decision might be made by the Board of Trustees in June 2023.

For additional information regarding SACSCOC’s accreditation process, access the Principles of Accreditation: Foundation for Quality Enhancement.