



***Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges***

Accreditation Actions taken by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees

At its meeting on **December 4, 2022**, the SACSCOC Board of Trustees took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions:

The Board reaffirmed the accreditation for the following institutions:

The American University in Dubai, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, TX
Benedict College, Columbia, SC
Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, FL
Brenau University, Gainesville, GA
Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA
Brite Divinity School, Fort Worth, TX
Clafin University, Orangeburg, SC
Columbia College, Columbia, SC
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, FL
Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC
Fisk University, Nashville, TN
Florida Polytechnic University, Lakeland, FL
George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
Mars Hill University, Mars Hill, NC
Miami International University of Art & Design, Miami, FL
Millsaps College, Jackson, MS
Parker University, Dallas, TX
Queens University of Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, MS
Shaw University, Raleigh, NC
Shorter University, Rome, GA
Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC
Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, TN
Southwestern Assemblies of God University, Waxahachie, TX
Stetson University, DeLand, FL
Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
Tulane University, New Orleans, LA
Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA
University of Georgia, Athens, GA
University of Houston-Clear Lake, Houston, TX
University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS
University of Pikeville, Pikeville, KY
University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, SC

The University of Texas at Tyler, Tyler, TX
Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC

The Board reaffirmed accreditation for the following institutions and requested a Monitoring Report be submitted within twelve (12) months:

Abilene Christian University, Abilene, TX
Bob Jones University, Greenville, SC
Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC
Florida National University, Hialeah, FL
Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, TX
Salem College, Winston-Salem, NC

The Board removed the following institution from Warning, reaffirmed accreditation, and requested a Fifth-Year Follow Up report:

University of Mount Olive, Mount Olive, NC

The Board granted initial accreditation to the following institutions:

Columbia Southern University, Orange Beach, AL
Larkin University, Miami, FL
Miami Regional University, Miami Springs, FL

The Board authorized a Candidacy Committee visit for the following institution:

Central Louisiana Technical Community College, Alexandria, LA

The Board granted Candidacy and authorized an Accreditation Committee for the following institution(s):

American University in the Emirates, Dubai, United Arab Emirates,

The Board continued the accreditation of the following institutions resulting from a Substantive Change Committee on-site review of the previously approved change:

Davidson-Davie Community College, Thomasville, NC
Reviewed an off-campus instructional site located in North Carolina at Davie County High School, Mocksville (approved May 2019).
Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, KY
Reviewed a branch campus at Galen College of Nursing-Richmond Campus in Richmond, Virginia (approved November 2021).
Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, KY
Reviewed three (3) branch campuses of the Galen College of Nursing in Asheville, North Carolina; Gainesville, Florida; and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (approved December 2021).
Lamar State College - Orange, Orange, TX
Reviewed an off-campus instructional sites in Texas at: Bridge City High School, Bridge City; and West Orange-Stark High School, Orange (approved December 2021).

- McNeese State University, Lake Charles, LA
Reviewed membership at Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice (approved June 2020).
- North Greenville University, Tigerville, SC
Reviewed the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree program in Leadership and approval of an off-campus instructional site located in Georgia at Impact 360 Institute, Pine Mountain (approved February 2021).
- Pitt Community College, Winterville, NC
Reviewed an off-campus instructional sites located in North Carolina at: Ayden Grifton High School, Ayden; D. H. Conley High School, Greenville; Farmville Central High School, Farmville; North Pitt High School, Bethel; and J.H. Rose, Greenville (approved December 2021).
- Richard Bland College, South Prince George, VA
Reviewed an off-campus instructional site located in Virginia at: Hopewell High School, Hopewell (approved February 2021).
- Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa, AL
Reviewed an off-campus instructional site located at Brookwood High School in Brookwood, Alabama (approved December 2021).
- Virginia Western Community College, Roanoke, VA
Reviewed the acquisition of the Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology degree program from Radford University by Virginia Western Community College (both SACSCOC accredited institutions). (approved June 2022).
- Voorhees University, Denmark, SC
Reviewed membership at Level III to offer the Master of Education in Teaching and Learning (approved December 2021).

The Board accredited the following institutions at a new degree level:

- Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, AL
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Science (MS) in Data Science and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: August 2023)
- Brewton-Parker College, Mount Vernon, GA
Approved membership at Level III offering the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Ministry and the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Biblical and Theological Studies and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: August 2023).
- Coker University, Hartsville, SC
Approved membership at Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) (Intended implementation: August 2023). A Substantive Change Committee visit was authorized to visit the institution.
- Dillard University, New Orleans, LA
Approved membership at Level III to offer the Master of Science in Nursing and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: August 2023).
- Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, KY
Approve membership at Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree and authorize a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: January 2024).

Houston Community College, Houston, TX

Approved membership at Level II to offer (1) the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) in Healthcare Management and (2) the Bachelor of Applied Technology (BAT) in Artificial Intelligence & Robotics and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: August 2023).

Navarro College, Corsicana, TX

Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: August 2023)

Roanoke College, Salem, VA

Approved membership at Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration (MBA) and authorize a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: June 2023).

Texas Lutheran University, Seguin, TX

Approved membership from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Interdisciplinary Leadership and authorize a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: January 2023).

University of North Alabama, Florence, AL

Approved membership at Level I to offer an Associate of Science in Culinary Arts (CUA); an Associate of Science in Hospitality and Events Management (HEMA); and an Associate of Science in Mechatronics (MEC) (Intended implementation: August 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

The University of Virginia's College at Wise, Wise, VA

Approved membership at Level III to offer the Master of Education and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: August 2023).

The Board approved the following institutions for a substantive change:

Alamance Community College, Graham, NC

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at The University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Adams School of Dentistry in Chapel Hill, NC (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Athens Technical College, Athens, GA

Approval by an extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at North Oconee High School in Bogart, Georgia. A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution. Intended implementation: January 2023

Augusta Technical College, Augusta, GA

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at ATC Automotive Training Center in Augusta, Georgia (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Austin College, Sherman, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Austin College Health Campus, Gateway Village, Texoma Medical Center in Denison, Texas and (2) approved to offer the Master in Medical Science – Physician Associate (PA) (intended implementation: January 2024). A Substantive Change Committee was authorized to visit the institution.

Bluefield University, Bluefield, VA

Approval by an extensive review of (1) an off-campus instructional site at the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine-Auburn (VCOM-Auburn) in Auburn, Alabama

- and (2) approved a prospectus for a Master of Health Science in Anesthesia (Anesthesiologist Assistant) program and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. Intended implementation: June 2023
- Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, TN
Approval (1) by extensive review of the off-campus instructional site at The PIE (Partners in Industry & Education) Innovation Center in Cleveland, Tennessee; and (2) an Applied Associate of Science degree in Chemical Engineering Technology with concentrations in (a) Chemical Lab Technicians and (b) Chemical Operator (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized.
- Concordia University Texas, Austin, TX
Approval of a change in governance from the bylaws of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS/CUS) to its own Board of Regents (BOR) and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. Intended implementation: January 2023
- Dalton State College, Dalton, GA
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Dalton High School in Dalton, Georgia (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, Elizabethtown, KY
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Fern Creek High School in Louisville, Kentucky (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, Elizabethtown, KY
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at at Pleasure Ridge Park High School in Louisville, Kentucky (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, Elizabethtown, KY
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Jeffersontown High School in Jeffersontown, Kentucky (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- Enterprise State Community College, Enterprise, AL
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at the Bridge Academy in Ozark, Alabama (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- Florence-Darlington Technical College, Florence, SC
Approval by an extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Academy for Career and Technology in Mullins, South Carolina, and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. Intended implementation: January 2023
- Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Clarkston, GA
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Newton D in Covington, Georgia (intended implementation: October 1997). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- J. F. Drake State Community and Technical College, Huntsville, AL
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at Huntsville Hospital Cochran in Huntsville, Alabama (intended implementation: May 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.
- Jefferson State Community College, Birmingham, AL
Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Vestavia Hills Dual Enrollment Center in Vestavia Hills, Alabama (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Lee College, Baytown, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional sites in Texas at: Huntsville Unit, Huntsville; Luther Unit, Navasota; Wainwright Unit, Lovelady; and Wynne Unit, Huntsville (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Lone Star College System, The Woodlands, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Bethune Empowerment Center in Houston, Texas (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Lone Star College System, The Woodlands, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Grand Oaks High School in Spring, Texas (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Maysville Community and Technical College, Maysville, KY

Approval by an extensive review of (1) an off-campus instructional site in the Fleming-Mason Airport in Maysville, Kentucky; and (2) approval of the the Associate in Applied Science in Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) Industrial Technologies; a Diploma in Airframe and Power Plant Maintenance Technician (AMT) Industrial Technologies; and the Certificates in Airframe Maintenance Technician (AMT) Industrial Technologies and Power Plant Maintenance (AMT) Industrial Technologies. A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution. Intended implementation: January 2023

Motlow State Community College, Tullahoma, TN

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at Eagleville High School in Eagleville, Tennessee (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Northwest-Shoals Community College, Muscle Shoals, AL

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Winston Career Academy in Double Springs, Alabama (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

River Parishes Community College, Gonzales, LA

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at the St. Charles Parish Public Schools Satellite Center in Luling, Louisiana (intended implementation: January 2023).

Snead State Community College, Boaz, AL

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at the Southern Museum of Flight in Birmingham, Alabama, and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. Intended implementation: January 2023

Somerset Community College, Somerset, KY

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at Somerset Community College Valley Oak Center in Somerset, Kentucky (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

South Plains College, Levelland, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site at the South Plains College, Lubbock Downtown Center, in Lubbock, Texas (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Texas Lutheran University, Seguin, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructions site in Texas at the Houston site, Houston (intended implementation: June 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was authorized to visit the institution.

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

Approved an off-campus instructional site at Texas Tech University at El Paso, El Paso, Texas, and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: January 2023).

University of North Texas, Denton, TX

Approval by extensive review of an off-campus instructional site located at the University of North Texas at Frisco (branch campus) in Frisco, Texas, and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution. (Intended implementation: January 2023).

Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, TX

Approval by extensive review of off-campus instructional site(s) located in Texas at Bay City High School, Bay City; and Needville High School, Needville (intended implementation: January 2023). A Substantive Change Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

The Board approved and continued in accreditation the following institution resulting from a Substantive Change on-site review of the merger/consolidation:

The University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

Merger of the University of Texas San Antonio (a SACSCOC accredited institution) and Southwest School of the Arts (a non-SACSCOC accredited institution), the resulting site will be known as the UTSA Southwest Campus (accepted June 2022).

The Board removed the following institution from Warning.

Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla, Puebla,

The Board removed the following institution from Probation and requested it submit a Fifth-Year Follow-Up Report:

Bethel University, McKenzie, TN

The Board requested the following institutions submit a Monitoring Report within six (6) months:

Augusta Technical College, Augusta, GA

Barry University, Miami Shores, FL

Bob Jones University, Greenville, SC

Lee College, Baytown, TX

LeTourneau University, Longview, TX

Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

Southwest Texas Junior College, Uvalde, TX

The Board requested the following institution(s) submit a Monitoring Report within twelve (12) months:

Blue Ridge Community College, Weyers Cave, VA
Christian Brothers University, Memphis, TN
Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, GA
Guilford College, Greensboro, NC
Jackson State Community College, Jackson, TN
Lamar University, Beaumont, TX
Louisburg College, Louisburg, NC
Meredith College, Raleigh, NC
River Parishes Community College, Gonzales, LA
Saint Augustine's University, Raleigh, NC
Saint Leo University, Saint Leo, FL
Savannah State University, Savannah, GA
Southwest Tennessee Community College, Memphis, TN
Spartanburg Community College, Spartanburg, SC
Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN
University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, GA

SANCTIONS AND OTHER NEGATIVE ACTIONS

For further information regarding SACSCOC Board sanctions, see the SACSCOC policy, "Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership." Also, for the specific standard or requirement cited below, refer to SACSCOC's Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement. Both documents can be found on SACSCOC's website at <http://www.sacscoc.org>. Disclosure statements regarding each of the following are found at <http://www.sacscoc.org/accreditationDisclosure.asp>.

The Board denied reaffirmation, continued in accreditation, and placed the following institutions on Warning:

Erskine College, Due West, SC
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 4.1 (*Governing board characteristics*), Core Requirement 13.1 (*Financial resources*) and Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Georgetown College, Georgetown, KY
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 13.1 (*Financial resources*) and Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

The Board placed the following institutions on Warning:

Emmanuel College, Franklin Springs, GA
For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 13.1 (*Financial resources*), Core Requirement 13.2 (*Financial documents*), and Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Virginia Union University, Richmond, VA

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 4.1 (*Governing board characteristics*), Core Requirement 13.2 (*Financial documents*), Standard 7.3 (*Administrative effectiveness*), Standard 8.2.a (*Student outcomes: educational programs*), Standard 8.2.c (*Student outcomes: academic and student services*), Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*), Standard 13.4 (*Control of finances*), and Standard 13.6 (*Federal and state responsibilities*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution

The Board continued the following institutions on Warning:

The Art Institute of Houston, Houston, TX

For twelve months for failure to comply with Standard 6.2.b (*Program faculty*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, GA

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 13.1 (*Financial resources*), Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*) and Standard 13.6 (*Federal and state responsibilities*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution.

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

Hodges University, Ft. Myers, FL

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 4.1 (*Governing board characteristics*) and Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*), of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was authorized to visit the institution.

Saint Augustine's University, Raleigh, NC

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 4.1 (*Governing board characteristics*), Core Requirement 13.1 (*Financial resources*), Core Requirement 13.2 (*Financial documents*), Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*), Standard 13.4 (*Control of finances*), and Standard 13.6 (*Federal and state responsibilities*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee was authorized to visit the institution.