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Disclosure Statement Regarding the Status of DILLARD UNIVERSITY
New Orleans. Louisiana

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The following publicly available information is provided by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) concerning the accreditation of Dillard University. Information presented below is in accord with SACSCOC's disclosure policy; SACSCOC staff cannot comment further on questions specifically related to Dillard University. The institution has reviewed this statement prior to public posting.

Action by SACSCOC Board of Trustees took place on June 13, 2024, and the institution's next review is June 2025.

What is the accreditation status of Dillard University? Dillard University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges; however, the institution continued in accreditation and placed on Warning after review of membership at Level III to offer the Master of Science in Nursing. 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?

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 2025, Dillard University will have been on Warning for twelve (12) months. For additional information about sanctions, see the SACSCOC policy entitled "Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership.."

Why was Dillard University placed on Warning? Dillard University was continued in accreditation and placed on Warning because the SACSCOC Board of Trustees determined that the institution had failed to demonstrate compliance with Core Requirement 11.1 (Library and learning/information resources). This standard expects the institution to provide adequate and appropriate library and learning/information resources, services, and support for its mission. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution. (To read the full statements for the standards cited above, access the <u>Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement.</u>)

What will happen in June 2025? The SACSCOC Board of Trustees will consider the accreditation status of Dillard University following a review of a Monitoring Report submitted by the institution addressing the standards cited above for non-compliance. The Board will have the following options: (1) remove the institution from Warning without an additional report; (2) remove the institution from Warning and request a Fifth-Year Follow-Up Report; (3) continue accreditation, continue the institution on Warning, request a Monitoring Report, with or without a Special Committee authorized, (4) continue accreditation, place the institution on Probation, request a Monitoring Report, and authorize a Special Committee; or (5) 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 2025.

For additional information regarding SACSCOC's accreditation process, access the <u>Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement.</u>)