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Disclosure Statement Regarding the Status of HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY High Point, North Carolina

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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 High Point University. Information presented below is in accord with SACSCOC's disclosure policy; SACSCOC staff cannot comment further on questions specifically related to High Point 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 High Point University? High Point University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges after review of a Monitoring Report regarding the assessment of educational programs, student support services, and publication of accreditation status. The institution is continued in accreditation and continued on Warning regarding the assessment of educational programs. 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 continued 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, High Point University will have been on Warning for two years. A Special Committee was not authorized to visit the institution. For additional information about sanctions, see the SACSCOC policy entitled "Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership."

Why was High Point University continued on Warning? High Point University was continued in accreditation and continued on Warning because the SACSCOC Board of Trustees determined that the institution had failed to demonstrate compliance with Standard 8.2.a (Student outcome: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation. This standard expects an institution to identify expected student learning outcomes, assess the extent to which it achieves these outcomes, and provide evidence of seeking improvement based on analysis of the results for each of its educational programs. (To read the full statements for the standard cited above, access the Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement.)

What will happen in June 2025? The SACSCOC Board of Trustees will consider the accreditation status of High Point University following a review of a Monitoring Report submitted by the institution addressing the standard cited above for non-compliance. The Board will have the following options: (1) remove the institution from Warning without an additional report; (2) continue accreditation, place the institution on Probation for Good Cause, request a Monitoring Report, and authorize a Special Committee; or (3) 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>)

Institutional Comment: High Point University