Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION 2020-2021

Accreditor types: Institutional
Recognition Status: Recognized by the U.S. Department of Education
Range of Accreditation Activity: Postsecondary degree and non-degree-granting institutions primarily occupational or technical in nature in the United States and Puerto Rico.
International Accreditation Activity:
0 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.
15 U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.
Yes Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.
Sponsoring Organization: None
Composition of Decision-Making Body:
13-member board composed of 4 public representatives and 9 member-school representatives.

7,500,000 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only
0 Direct support from any sponsoring organization
0 In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 29 Full-time 0 Part-time
Volunteers: 300 – served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS 2020-2021

608 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Institutions

608 Degree-Granting:
3 Public
59 Private Nonprofit
546 Private For-Profit

0 Non-Degree-Granting:
0 Public
0 Private Nonprofit
0 Private For-Profit

163,520 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES 2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: Initial Accreditation: 3 years; Renewal of Accreditation: 5 years

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: Standards reviewed as a whole every five years; individual standards and policies reviewed as needed during quarterly Standards Committee meetings.

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021

0 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted
0 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied
4 Initial Accreditation Granted
1 Initial Accreditation Denied
29 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review
57 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

18 Notice or Warning
3 Probation
n/a Show Cause
5 Accreditation Terminated or Removed
4 Actions under Appeal
n/a Other

Summary of Additional Actions
1,356 Substantive Changes Reviewed
302 Site Visits

16 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation

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