

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION

2020-2021

Accreditor types: Institutional

Recognition Status: Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of

Education

Range of Accreditation Activity: Institutional accrediting body for degree-granting institutions of higher education in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Latin Amerida, and other Commission approved international sites, including the accreditation of programs offered via distance and correspondence education within the institutions. (2014)

International Accreditation Activity:

7 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S. n/a U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

 $\mbox{\bf No}~$ Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

Sponsoring Organization: None

Composition of Decision-Making Body:

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees is composed of 77 members elected by the College Delegate Assembly (CEOs of the 780 member institutions). Eleven (11) public representatives, CEOs (43), and Administrators (23). A 13-member Executive Council, elected by the Board, may make decisions on behalf of the Board when the board is not meeting.

9,628,726 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only

- 0 Direct support from any sponsoring organization
- **0** In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 50 Full-time **0** Part-time **Volunteers: 5,100** – served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED

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

2020-2021

780 Degree-Granting:

473 Public

298 Private Nonprofit

9 Private For-Profit

0 Non-Degree-Granting:

0 Public

0 Private Nonprofit

O Private For-Profit

6,593,228 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: The SACSCOC Board of Trustees meets in June and December each year for accreditation-related reviews.

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: Institutions are accredited every 10 years with an interim review in the Fifth Year.

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021

- 3 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted
- Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied
- 2 Initial Accreditation Granted
- 0 Initial Accreditation Denied
- **43** Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review
- **136** Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

Summary of Additional Actions

1,571 Substantive Changes Reviewed

95 Site Visits

0 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation

- 14 Notice or Warning
- 5 Probation
- O Show Cause
- 1 Accreditation Terminated or Removed
- **0** Actions under Appeal
- 0 Other