MEMORANDUM

To: U.S. Department of Education
State Departments of Education
Institutional and Programmatic Accrediting Agencies

Date: January 7, 2021

From: Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools

Subject: Final actions taken by the ACICS Council at the December 2020 Meeting

ACICS COUNCIL ACTIONS FROM DECEMBER 2020

In December 2020, the Council took actions that affected a number of institutions accredited by ACICS, including awarding initial grants and renewals of accreditation (new grants), actions conditioning accreditation based on the review of information generated through the on-site evaluation review process, external sources, or that provided by the institutions and/or campuses in a response to a previous Council directive. The actions affecting overall institutional accreditation are listed below.

Renewal of Accreditation Granted (6-year grant to expire in 2026)
  1. United International College (00060614), Miramar, FL

Renewal of Accreditation Granted (4-year grant to expire in 2024)
  1. California University of Management and Sciences – Anaheim (00021311), Anaheim, CA
  2. Empire College (00010602), Santa Rosa, CA
  3. Southern States University – San Diego (00023864), San Diego, CA

Renewal of Accreditation Granted (3-year grant to expire in 2023)
  1. Bay Atlantic University (00275488), Washington, DC

Renewal of Accreditation Granted (3-year grant to expire in 2022)
  1. Suncoast College of Health (00257970), Bradenton, FL

Initial Grant of Accreditation (3-year grant to expire in 2023)
  1. New York Institute of English and Business (00284778), New York, NY
  2. Ming Dao University (00275048), Taiwan, ROC
Institutional Compliance Warning (Renewal of Accreditation)
1. Southern Technical College – Fort Myers (00010657), Fort Myers, FL
2. Southern Technical College – Port Charlotte (00024504), Port Charlotte, FL
3. Southern Technical College – Tampa (00018863), Tampa, FL
4. Pittsburgh Career Institute (00070534), Pittsburgh, PA
5. San Ignacio University (00048177), Doral, FL

Campus Compliance Warning
1. Santa Barbara Business College (00010730), Bakersfield, CA – Distance Education

Institutional Show-Cause Continued
1. Lincoln University (00010193), Oakland, CA – Renewal of Accreditation

Vacate Show-Cause
1. Suncoast College of Health (00257970), Bradenton, FL – Renewal of Accreditation

Action Deferred until May 2021
1. Eastwick College – Nutley Campus (00042557), Nutley, NJ – Renewal of Accreditation

Continued Inclusion in Institutional Grant of Accreditation – Approval
1. Southern States University – Las Vegas (00276791), Las Vegas, NV
A summary of Council decisions taken on institutions with campuses performing below ACICS standards for student achievement, including actions conditioning accreditation, or adverse actions. The actions were taken on the institutions for the following campuses.

**Remove from Compliance Warning**
1. Pacific States University (00012769), Los Angeles, CA – Placement
2. Stratford University (00239628), Alexandria, VA – Retention

**Compliance Warning Issued (Placement)**
1. The Puerto Rico School of Nurse Anesthetists (00263809), Hato Rey, PR
2. Bergin University of Canine Studies (00023888), Penngrove, CA
3. Humacao Community College (00011123), Humacao, PR
4. Marconi International University (00270017), Miami, FL
5. Santa Barbara Business College (00010730), Bakersfield, CA

**Show Cause Issued (Placement)**
1. Santa Barbara Business College (00023802), Rancho Mirage, CA
2. Emerging Technologies Institute (00060366), Forest Hills, NY
3. Bay Area Medical Academy (00060173), San Francisco, CA
4. Fairfax University of America (00023099), Fairfax, VA
A summary of Council decisions taken between September and December 2020, including reinstatement of accreditation, substantive changes to an existing program, expansion of an institutions’ scope of accreditation as the result of a new branch campus, program of study, or a new mode of delivery.

**Approval Actions**

**Reinstatement Following a Change of Control/Ownership**
1. Marconi International University (00270017), Miami, FL
2. ISDI (00284219), Madrid, Spain
3. Schiller International University (00010647), Largo, FL
   - Schiller International University (00010644), Madrid, Spain
   - Schiller International University (00010643), Paris, France
   - Schiller International University (00010639), Heidelberg, Germany

**Substantive Changes to an Existing Program**
1. Eastwick College – Nutley Campus (00042557), Nutley, NJ
2. United International College (00060614), Miramar, FL

**New Delivery Method (Hybrid Distance Education – 100% of a Program)**
1. College of Business & Technology (00022322), Miami, FL

**New Program Approval (Out of Scope)**
1. California Aeronautical University (00269056), Bakersfield, CA
2. Schiller International University (00010644), Madrid, Spain
3. Schiller International University (00010643), Paris, France
4. Schiller International University (00010639), Heidelberg, Germany

**New Branch Campus – Approval**
1. Laurus College (00286307), Las Vegas, NV
2. ISDI (00286436), Barcelona, Spain