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## STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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### INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

**Enrollment (Headcount):** 48096 Undergraduate; 19460 Graduate

**Control:** Public

**Affiliation:** Government-State- N/A

**2015 Carnegie Classification:** Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity

**Approved Degree Levels:** Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma ( $\geq 1$  year,  $< 2$  years), Associate's, Bachelor's, Postbaccalaureate Award/Cert/Diploma, Master's, Post-Master's Award/Cert/Diploma, Doctor's - Professional Practice, Doctor's - Research/Scholarship;

**Distance Education Programs:** Fully Approved

**Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education:** Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics ; Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education ; Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education ; American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar ; American Dental Association, Commission on Dental Accreditation ; American Occupational Therapy Association, Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education ; American Physical Therapy Association, Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education ; American Psychological Association, Commission on Accreditation ; Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education ; Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs ; Council on Education for Public Health ; Liaison Committee on Medical Education ; National Association of Schools of Dance, Commission on Accreditation; National Association of Schools of Music, Commission on Accreditation,; Teacher Education Accreditation Council, Accreditation Committee

**Other Accreditors:** AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business; ABET (formerly Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology); Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education; Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant; American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology; American Chemical Society; American Library Association; American Registry of Radiologic Technologists; American Society of Landscape Architects; Association of American Law

Schools; Association of Nutrition and Food Professionals; Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education; Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care; Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs: Cytotechnology Programs Review Committee, Joint Review Committee on Education in Cardiovascular Technology, and Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography; Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs; Council on Rehabilitation Education; Council on Social Work Education; International Commission on Accreditation of Public Administration Education and Training Programs; Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology; National Accrediting Agency for the Clinical Laboratory Sciences; National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration; Planning Accreditation Board.

## **Instructional Locations**

**Branch Campuses:** None

**Additional Locations:** Albert C. Wagner Youth Correctional Facility, Bordentown, NJ; Atlantic Cape Community College, Atlantic City, NJ; Atlantic Cape Community College, Mays Landing, NJ; Camden Campus, Camden, NJ; Camden County Boathouse, Pennsauken, NJ; Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ; CCM, Headquarters Plaza, Morristown, NJ; Center for Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR; Central University of Finance and Economics, 39 South College Road, China; County College of Morris, Randolph, NJ; Crowne Plaza Princeton - Conference Center, Plainsboro, NJ; Dalian University of Technology, International Conference Center, Dalian, China; East Jersey State Prison, Rahway, NJ; Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women, Clinton, NJ; Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ; Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Yardville, NJ; Harborside Financial Center, Jersey City, NJ; Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, Lakehurst, NJ; Marymount Manhattan College, New York, NY; Mercer County Community College, West Windsor, NJ; National Library of Singapore, 100 Victoria Street, Singapore; Neptune Township School District, Neptune, NJ; Newark Campus, Newark, NJ; Newark City Hall, Newark, NJ; Northern State Prison, Newark, NJ; PHH Training Center, Mount Laurel, NJ; Plaza Business Centre, Shanghai, China; Plaza Conference Centre, Beijing, China; Raritan Valley Community College, North Branch, NJ; Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ; Rowan College at Burlington County, Mount Laurel, NJ; Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, Newark, NJ; Rutgers University - Newark Institute at NENU, Northeast Normal University, China; Scotch Plains, Scotch Plains, NJ; Sheraton Atlantic City Convention Center Hotel, Atlantic City, NJ; Stratford, Stratford, NJ; Western Monmouth Higher Education Center, Freehold, NJ

**Other Instructional Sites:** Bartle Elementary School, Highland Park, NJ; Camden County College, Cherry Hill, NJ; Cape May Technical School Practical Nursing, Cape May Court House, NJ; Centenary College Equestrian Center, Long Valley, NJ; Conerly Road School, Somerset, NJ; Drew University, Madison, NJ; McNair High School, Jersey City, NJ; Monmouth County Vocational School District, Long Branch, NJ; Octagon 10 Office Center, Parsippany, NJ; Passaic County Technical Institute, Wayne, NJ; Picatinny, Dover, NJ; Porzio, Bromberg, and Newman, Morristown, NJ; Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ; Wynona's House, Newark, NJ

## **ACCREDITATION INFORMATION**

**Status:** Member since 1921

**Last Reaffirmed:** November 21, 2013

**Most Recent Commission Action:**

June 27, 2016: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To approve the reclassification of the instructional sites at (1) Camden County College, College Drive, Blackwood, NJ 08012; (2) Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, 3829 School House Road, Lakehurst, NJ 08641 as additional locations and to include the locations within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

**Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:**

- November 21, 2013: To accept the supplemental information report. To note that the Periodic Review Report, due June 1, 2013, has been received and will be acted on by the Commission at its meeting in November. To remind the institution of the monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow.
- November 21, 2013: To accept the Periodic Review Report and to reaffirm accreditation. To remind the institution of a monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.
- April 28, 2014: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at the Center for Puerto Rico, Urb. Santa Rita, 1012 Gonzalez Street, San Juan, PR 00925 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. To remind the institution of a monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting

evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); and (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

June 30, 2014:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the additional locations at (1) Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550 and (2) Marymount Manhattan College, 221 East 71st Street, New York, NY 10021 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this/these additional locations. In the event that operations at the additional locations do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. To remind the institution of the monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); and (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

April 27, 2015:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at County College of Morris, 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph, New Jersey 07869. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The December 1, 2014 monitoring report and small team visit will be acted at the June Commission meeting. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

June 25, 2015:

To accept the monitoring report and to note the visit by the Commission's representatives. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

August 31, 2015:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the

additional location at Rutgers University - Newark Institute at NENU, Northeast Normal University, 5268 Renmin Street, Changchun, Jilin Province, People's Republic of China within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

November 2, 2015: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional locations at (1) Albert C. Wagner Youth Correctional Facility, 500 Ward Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505; (2) Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women, 30 County Route 513, Clinton, NJ 08809; (3) East Jersey State Prison, 1100 Woodbridge Road, Rahway, NJ 07065; (4) Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Highbridge Road, Yardville, NJ 08620; and (5) Northern State Prison, 168 Frontage Road, Newark, NJ 07114 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at these additional locations. In the event that operations at the additional locations do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

**Next Self-Study Evaluation:** 2017 - 2018

**Date Printed:** September 14, 2016

## DEFINITIONS

**Branch Campus** - A branch campus is a domestic or international location of an institution that is geographically apart, independent of the primary/main campus. The branch campus is considered independent of the main campus if it is permanent in nature; offers courses in educational programs leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential; has its own faculty and administrative or supervisory organization; and has its own budgetary and hiring authority. (34 CFR §600.2)

**Additional Location** - An additional location is a domestic or international location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the primary/main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of the requirements of an educational program. (34 CFR §602.22) **ANYA** ("Approved but Not Yet Active") indicates that the location is included within the scope of accreditation but has not yet begun to offer courses. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have begun at this location. **ANYC** ("Approved but Not Yet Closed") indicates that the institution has requested that the location be officially closed through the substantive change process. The location is currently included within the scope of accreditation but the institution will be stopping all operations at this location in the near future. The institution should inform the Commission (via email at [sc@msche.org](mailto:sc@msche.org)) of the date that operations cease. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have stopped at this location and the location is no longer listed on the SAS.

**Other Instructional Sites** - MSCHE defines an other instructional site as any off-campus site, other than those meeting the definition of a branch campus or an additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit. Sites designated as an other instructional site do not require substantive change approval. However, substantive change approval is required to reclassify an other instructional site to or from a branch campus or additional location.

**Distance Education Programs** - Fully Approved, Approved (one program approved) or Not Approved indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer diploma/certificate/degree programs via distance education (programs for which students could meet 50% or more of the requirements of the program by taking distance education courses). Per the Commission's Substantive Change policy, Commission approval of the first two Distance Education programs is required to

be "Fully Approved." If only one program is approved by the Commission, the specific name of the program will be listed in parentheses after "Approved."

Commission actions are explained in the policy [Accreditation Actions](#).