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Report from the Accrediting Commission

The DETC Accrediting Commission, the nationally recognized accreditation association for distance learning institutions, met January 16-17, 2009 and took the following actions:

New Commissioners Appointed

The Commission voted to appoint **Mr. Patrick O'Malley** to his first three-year term as a public member on the Commission. He replaces Mr. Jan Larson, who leaves the Commission after serving his allotted terms. Mr. O'Malley is a retired Partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Accrediting Commission Chair Dr. Timothy Mott appointed **Mr. Robert Mayes, Jr.**, President of Columbia Southern University, to his first three-year term as an institution member on the Commission. He replaces Dr. Adelaide Cherry of the USAF Air University, who retired from active duty.

New Officers

Chair: The Commission voted to elect **Dr. Timothy Mott**, Faculty, Distance Learning, Union Institute & University. Dr. Mott joined the Commission in 2007. He replaces Mr. Jan Larson as the Chair, who retired after serving the maximum allowable terms on the Commission.

Vice Chair: **Dr. David W. Curd**, President, College of the Humanities and Sciences Harrison Middleton University in Tempe, AZ, was elected Vice Chair of the Commission. **Mr. Brook Ellis**, Vice President of Education, remains the Treasurer, and **Mr. Michael P. Lambert** remains the Secretary and Executive Director.

Four Institutions Gain Accreditation

The following institutions were accredited as of January 17, 2009 (their next review will be in 2013):

American Pacific University

615 Piikoi Street, Suite 501

Honolulu, HI 96814

Phone: 808-791-5050 or 877-267-2241; Fax: 808-791-5051

E-mail: info@ampac.edu; Web Site: <http://www.ampac.edu>

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DETC Accrediting
Commission accredited four
new institutions and re-
accredited 12 institutions.

Matthew James, President, Ph.D.
Nancy Moreno-Derks, Vice President
Founded 1994. Offers a Masters Degree in Transpersonal Psychology.

Anaheim University

1240 S. State College Boulevard, Suite 110
Anaheim, CA 92806
Phone: 714-772-3330 or 800-955-6040; Fax: 714-772-3331
E-mail: admissions@anaheim.edu
Web Site: <http://www.anaheim.edu>

William B. Hartley, Ph.D., President

David Nunan, Ph.D., Vice President of Academic Affairs

Founded 1996. Offers Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), MBA in Sustainable Management, Certificate in Sustainable Management, Diploma in Sustainable Management, and TESOL Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages.

California Intercontinental University (formerly California University of Technology)

1370 Valley Vista Drive, Suite 235
Diamond Bar, CA 91765
Phone: 909-396-6090 or 1-866-687-2258; Fax: 909-804-5151
E-mail: info@CalUniversity.com; Web site: <http://www.caluniversity.com>

Senthil B. Kumar, CEO

Tuan A. Tran, Ph.D., CAO

Founded 2003. Offers Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems, Bachelor in Engineering in Information Technology, Master of Business Administration, and Doctorate of Business Administration (DBA).

International Sports Science Association

1015 Mark Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013
(Phone: 805-745-8111 or 800-892-4772; Fax: 805-745-8119)
E-mail: info@TheISSA.edu; Web site: <http://www.TheISSA.edu>

Sal Arria, D.C., President/CEO

Patrick Gamboa, Vice President of Education

Founded 1988. Offers Certified Fitness Trainer, Specialist in Performance Nutrition, Specialist in Sports Conditioning, Fitness Therapy, Youth Fitness Trainer, and Specialist in Fitness for Older Adults.

12 Institutions Re-Accredited

The following institutions were re-accredited:

- Aspen University, Denver CO
- Griggs University, Silver Spring, MD
- Holmes Institute, Golden, CO
- Hypnosis Motivation Institute, Tarzana, CA
- National Tax Training School, Mahwah, NJ
- Rhodex International U.S., Quincy, MA

- Richard Milburn High School, Woodridge, VA
- Seminary Extension Independent Study, Nashville, TN
- Sonoran Desert Institute, Scottsdale, AZ
- Southwest University, Kenner, LA
- Universidad FLET, Miami, FL
- University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences, St. Augustine, FL

Change of Location

A change of location for the following institutions was approved:

- American Sentinel University moved to 2260 South Xanadu Way, Suite 310, Aurora, CO 80014
- Applied Professional Training moved to 5751 Palmer Way, Suite D, Carlsbad, CA 92010
- Aspen University moved to 720 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite 1150-N, Denver, CO 80246
- Holmes Institute moved to 573 Park Point Drive, Golden, CO 80401

Change of Name

The following institutions changed their name:

- American Center for Conflict Resolution Institute changed its name to Lakewood College
- Ashworth University changed its names back to Ashworth College, Ashworth Career Programs, Ashworth High School

Voluntary Resignations of Accreditation

The following institutions are no longer accredited:

- KC Distance Learning (Keystone National High School, Keystone Credit Recovery) (expires March 31, 2009)
- University of Leicester's Centre for Labour Market Studies (expires March 31, 2009)

New Resident Training Location

The following institution had a new resident training site approved:

- University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences, 16870 West Bernardo Drive, Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92127

New Courses/Programs

The Commission approved the following new courses/programs:

Allied Business Schools, Inc.

- Advanced Residential Applications and Case Studies

- Dental Office Assistant
- Dental Terminology
- Florida Sales Associate Post-License
- Introduction to Computer Systems
- Microsoft Excel 2007
- Microsoft Word 2007
- Microsoft PowerPoint 2007
- Professional Private Investigator
- Microsoft Office Word for Medical Professionals
- Property Management
- Texas Real Estate Law

American Sentinel University

- Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

Andrew Jackson University

- Basic Report Writing
- Report Writing
- Overcoming Addiction
- Introduction to Film

Ashworth University

- Introduction to Sales

Aspen University

- Doctor of Education in Leadership and Learning (Ed.D.)

California Coast University

- Associate of Science in Business Marketing
- Associate of Science in Healthcare Administration

City Vision College

- Bachelor of Science in Addictions Studies

Columbia Southern University

- Associate of Applied Science in Occupational Safety and Health
- Undergraduate and Advanced Undergraduate Certificate in Occupational Safety and Health
- Undergraduate and Advanced Undergraduate Certificate in Environmental Management
- Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership
- Master of Science in Organizational Leadership Master of Science in emergency Services Management
- Graduate Certificate in Occupational Safety and Health

Henley-Putnam University

- Doctorate in Strategic Security

Teacher Education University

- Teacher Education Institute Courses

Institution Participating in Residential Pilot Program

The College of Humanities and Sciences received accreditation for the following residential high school programs*:

Humanities and Sciences Academy of the United States

1105 East Broadway Road

Tempe, AZ 85282 USA

Phone: 800-762-0010; Fax: 800-762-1622

Web site: <http://www.humsci.org>

Founded 1997. Provides an accelerated academic program in language arts, world languages, literature, social studies, mathematics, and natural sciences in which students can earn their high school diploma.

International Commerce Secondary Schools

5201 North 7th Street

Phoenix, AZ 85014 USA

Phone: 800-762-0010; Fax: 800-762-1622

Web site: <http://www.humsci.org>

Founded 1997. Provides an accelerated academic program in language arts, world languages, literature, social studies, mathematics, and natural sciences in which students can earn their high school diploma.

*This accreditation is not yet included under the DETC's scope of accrediting activity as recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Title IV Certification

The following institutions were certified by DETC to seek eligibility from the Department of Education to participate in the federal student aid programs:

- Aspen University, Denver, CO
- City Vision College, Kansas City, MO

Policies, Procedures and Standards

The Commission voted to give ***final adoption*** to the following statement to be added to C.9. Policy on Degree Programs: *Transcripts not in English must be evaluated by an appropriate third party and translated into English or a trained transcript evaluator fluent in the language on the transcript. In this case, the evaluator must have expertise in the educational practices of the country of origin and include an English translation of the review.*

Proposed Changes

The Commission also ***approved for public comment*** the following:

- Proposed revision to DETC Business Standards
- Proposed new Policy on Pilot Programs

To view these documents, please go to DETC's web site at www.detc.org and select the link from the home age.

Any comments on the above changes should be sent to Sally Welch at DETC (sally@detc.org) before **May 1, 2009**. Final adoption of these policies will be considered at the Commission's June 2009 meeting.

Applicants for Accreditation and Re-Accreditation in 2009

The following institutions have applied for DETC initial accreditation or five year re-accreditation:

First Time Applicants:

Abraham Lincoln University School of Law, Los Angeles, CA
Aerobics and Fitness Association of America, Sherman Oaks, CA
American Fitness Professionals and Associates, Manahawkin, NJ
American Graduate School of Education, Tempe, AZ
BILD International University/Antioch School of Church Planning and Leadership Development, Ames, IA
California Miramar University, San Diego, CA (formerly Pacific Western University)
California Southern University, Santa Ana, CA
ChildCare Education Institute, Duluth, GA
National Institute of Whole Health, Wellesley, MA
Open Institute of Law, Vladivostok, Russia
Piccolo International University, Phoenix, AZ
Robert Kennedy College, Zurich, Switzerland
Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary, Newburgh, IN

Applicants for Five-Year Re-Accreditation:

American Institute of Applied Science, Youngsville, NC
American Sentinel University (Birmingham, AL and Denver, CO)
Atlantic University, Virginia Beach, VA
Blackstone Career Institute, Emmaus, PA
California Coast University, Santa Ana, CA
City Vision, Kansas City, MO
Concord Law School, Los Angeles, CA
Hadley School for the Blind, Winnetka, IL
IMPAC University, Punta Gorda, FL
Instituto Postsecundario de Educacion a Distancia, San Juan, Puerto Rico
Paralegal Institute, Glendale, AZ
Penn Foster Career School, Penn Foster College, and Penn Foster High School, Scranton, PA
Weston Distance Learning (At-Home Professions & U.S. Career Institute), Fort Collins, CO

Revision of 2009 DETC Accreditation Handbook

The 2009 *DETC Accreditation Handbook* was revised. To view the entire Handbook, go to DETC's web site at <http://www.detc.org> and select "Publications."

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the DETC Accrediting Commission will be June 5-6, 2009. All matters to be considered by the Commission should be brought to the attention of the Executive Director by no later than **May 1, 2009**.