

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release: August 7, 2023

DEAC Announces Call for Nominations to Serve on the Standards Committee

The DEAC Nominating Committee is pleased to announce that it is seeking candidates to serve on the DEAC Standards Committee. The Call for Nominations is now open and will continue until September 7, 2023. Interested candidates are invited to [submit their credentials for consideration using DEAC's online submission form](#). The Nominating Committee will review all submissions and forward its recommendations to the DEAC Board of Directors for consideration. Individuals interested in candidacy for the DEAC Standards Committee must minimally:

1. Represent a DEAC-accredited institution in good standing with DEAC as well as with any other accrediting organization or state or federal regulatory agency.
2. Represent a DEAC-accredited institution that completed at least one renewal of accreditation.
3. Possess at least five (5) years of experience in a senior leadership role (academic or administrative) at a DEAC-accredited institution.
4. Demonstrate comprehensive experience in applying the DEAC accreditation standards as a volunteer evaluator during a DEAC accreditation visit (e.g., Chair, Business Standards Evaluator, Educational Standards Evaluator).
5. Demonstrate active participation in DEAC Annual Conference and Workshop events.
6. Possess the capacity to receive, review and evaluate electronically prepared materials.
7. Commit to allocating time for preparations, travel requirements, and full engagement needed for standards committee meetings.
8. Adhere to DEAC's Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policies.

Nominating Committee responsibilities include reviewing and facilitating the development or revisions of DEAC standards, policies and procedures and providing insights and comments on standards that are forwarded to the Commission for consideration. The fundamental principles of the committee's work when forming its recommendations to the Commission are to:

1. Uphold the rigor and integrity of DEAC's accreditation procedures and standards.
2. Promote the value and role of the standards.
3. Commit to the best interests of the broader DEAC-accredited community.
4. Adhere to CHEA and USED recognition requirements.
5. Keep any discussions and proposed revisions held in closed session confidential.
6. Respect all contributions to the process of review.
7. Review responses to DEAC Call for Comments on proposed changes to the *DEAC Accreditation Handbook*.
8. Attend in-person meetings held in conjunction with the DEAC Annual Conference and Accreditation Workshop and virtual meetings held, as needed, throughout the year.

Please direct any questions to Leah Matthews, Executive Director.

ABOUT DEAC

The Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) is a private, non-profit organization founded in 1926 that operates as a national accreditor of distance education institutions.

MEDIA CONTACT:
Leah Matthews, Executive Director
(202) 234-5100
leah.matthews@deac.org

###

MEDIA CONTACT:
Robert Chalifoux, Director, Media and Events
(202) 234-5100
rob.chalifoux@deac.org