

## **Report from the Accrediting Commission**

**March 7, 2019**

The Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) met on January 25, 2019 and took action to deny initial accreditation to the following institution.

- George Brown College—School of Distance Education (GBC—SDE), 160 Kendal Avenue, Toronto, ON M5R1M3

This report summarizes the action taken by the Accrediting Commission in accordance with its procedure for Notification and Information Sharing, Section X(F), Policies and Procedures, DEAC Accreditation Handbook.

Summarized below is the decision to deny initial accreditation.

The substance of GBC--SDE's submissions did not meet the Commission's threshold requirements for consideration and an extensive amount of analysis and documentation was needed in order for GBC--SDE to demonstrate that the institution meets DEAC Accreditation Standards. After carefully reviewing the entire record and thoughtfully weighing GBC--SDE's written responses to DEAC's requests for evidence of compliance, the Commission determined that GBC--SDE did not provide sufficient documentation to demonstrate that it had taken the steps necessary to come into compliance with DEAC Standards of Accreditation.

At its January 25, 2019 meeting the Commission voted to deny an Application for a Change in Legal Status, Form of Control or Ownership (Part 1) submitted by the following institution.

- New Charter University, 50 West Broadway, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Upon notification of the Commission's decision, New Charter University (NCU) filed an Application for Appeal of an Adverse Commission Decision on February 7, 2019. The Commission notified the U.S. Secretary of Education, the appropriate state licensing or authorizing agencies, and the appropriate accrediting organizations and the public of the appeal on February 25, 2019. On February 27, 2019, NCU informed the Commission that the institution wanted to withdraw the application for an appeal. The Commission accepted the request for withdrawal of the appeal and agreed that the appeal would not proceed.