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## Report from the Accrediting Commission

The DETC Accrediting Commission met on March 18, 2013 and took the following actions:

### Change in Name

One institution is letting its accreditation lapse.

National Juris University changed its name back to National Paralegal College. National Juris University is now a division of National Paralegal College.

### Lapse in Accreditation

The Commission noted that the following institution decided to not renew its accreditation, therefore its accreditation will lapse as of the date shown in parentheses:

- Brigham Young University, Independent Study, 120 Morris Center, Provo, UT 84602 (as of March 31, 2013)

### Change of Ownership

The Commission approved the change of ownership for the following institution:

- Penn Foster, Scranton, PA (Parent Corporation, EH-1, has reorganized with new investment contributions)

### New Courses and Programs

The Subcommittee on Academic Reviews met on February 4, 2013 and approved several courses and programs.

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#### Acacia University

- Associate of Science in Information Technology

#### American College of Technology

- Bachelor of Applied Science in Criminal Justice
- MBA in Global Economy- Information Systems Management Concentration
- MBA with a Global Business Management Concentration

#### American Sentinel University

- MBA – 500 Introduction to the MBA
- MA 101 College Mathematics
- MA 125 Health Care Statistics

(more)

### **Apollos University**

- Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

### **Applied Professional Training**

- AAS in Electric power Systems
- AAS in Telecommunications Technology (Change in method of Delivery)

### **Atlantic University**

- Integrated Imagery Certificate

### **Columbia Southern University**

- BS in Health Care Administration – Emergency Medical Service Management Concentration

### **National Paralegal College**

- Master of Science in Taxation
- Master of Science in Compliance
- Master of Science in Legal Studies

### **Proposed Changes to Policies and Procedures**

The Commission gave preliminary approval to the following changes. Affected institution, students, and the public are invited to submit comments on the changes. To view these documents, please go to DETC's website at [www.detc.org](http://www.detc.org) and select the link from the home page. Comments are due **May 1, 2013** and should be sent to Sally Welch ([sally@detc.org](mailto:sally@detc.org)). Please write "Comments on Proposed Changes" in the subject line of your e-mail, and expect an e-mail acknowledging receipt of your comments. If not, please submit again:

1. C.3. Policy on Change of Ownership/Management – add requirement to submit a new Teach-Out Commitment (page 5)
2. C.4. Policy on Change of Location or New Administrative Site – added definition of "location" and "Administrative Site"
3. C.14. Policy on Student Achievement and Satisfaction – Major changes; schools no longer will have to report completion rates for degree courses; completion and graduation rates charts are revised; for completion rates, students still studying may be removed; graduation rates now exclude students who have not completed 3 academic credits and students still studying; degree graduation rates are done by cohort going back 150% of normal time; Commission reviews completion and graduation rates data and will establish minimum acceptable rates.
4. E.2. Application for Accreditation – added requirement for physical office (#3 on page 2)

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the DETC Accrediting Commission will be June 13-14, 2013. All matters to be considered by the Commission should be brought to the attention of the Executive Director by no later than **May 1, 2013**.

Michael P. Lambert, Executive Director