

## Report from the Accrediting Commission

April 16, 2014

### Proposed Changes (call for public comment)

The DETC Accrediting Commission met on April 6, 2014 and approved the proposed changes to C.15. Policy on Institutions Participating in Title IV Programs and deletions to C.23. Policy on Credit Hours. The Commission determined it needed to revise Policies C.15 and C.23 to reflect DETC's recent revision of its scope of recognition by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) to include non-degree (certificate and diploma) programs for Title IV purposes. As announced in its News Release of March 14, 2014, the USDE reviewed DETC's request and determined only a technical change for clarification purposes was required.

Effective March 10, 2014, DETC's scope of recognition listed on the U.S. Department of Education's website is:

The accreditation of postsecondary institutions in the United States that offer degree and/or non-degree programs primarily by the distance or correspondence education method up to and including the professional doctoral degree, including those institutions that are specifically certified by the agency as accredited for Title IV purposes.

**Title IV Note:** Only accredited institutions that are certified by the agency as accredited for Title IV purposes may use accreditation by this agency to establish eligibility of its degree and/or non-degree programs to participate in Title IV programs.

Affected institutions, 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 visit the "Public Notices" tab. New language is indicated by the **red** underlined text and deletions are indicated with strikethroughs. Comments are due **May 16, 2014** 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.

### Correction to Previous DETC Notices

Please note the following corrections:

#### ***February 14, 2014 – Same Time Notification***

Lapse of Accreditation: The following institution voluntarily relinquished accreditation to be effective March 31, 2014:

- **American Health Information Management Association**, 233 North Michigan Avenue, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL 60601
- ~~American Health Information Institute~~ **American Institute of Applied Science**, 100 Hunter Place, Youngsville, NC 27596

- **California Miramar University**, 9750 Miramar Road, Suite 180, San Diego, CA 92126

***April 2, 2014 – Same Time Notification & Report from the Accrediting Commission***

The DETC Accrediting Commission granted accreditation to the following institution January 16, 2014 and conditioned final approval of accreditation on the submission of a Progress Report. The institution met the conditions and accreditation is effective April 2, 2014.

**Ashworth College**

**Founded in ~~2000~~ 1987**

Mr. Rob Klapper, President

Ashworth College includes the following divisions: Ashworth College - **Career Diploma and Certificate** and James Madison High School

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Attachments: C.15. Policy on Institutions Participating in Title IV Programs  
C.23. Policy on Credit Hours