

## Report from the Accrediting Commission July 28, 2023

The Distance Education Accrediting Commission (the Commission) met on June 30, 2023. This report summarizes the accreditation actions taken by the Accrediting Commission in accordance with its procedure for Notification and Information Sharing (Section XV.A., E., and F.), Part Two, Processes and Procedures, *DEAC Accreditation Handbook*.

### Initial Accreditation

The Commission took action to grant initial accreditation to the following institutions.

#### **Bridges Graduate School of Cognitive Diversity in Education**

**Founded 2018**

Dr. Henry Nicols, Chief Operating Officer

3921 Laurel Canyon Boulevard

Studio City, CA 91604

<https://graduateschool.bridges.edu/>

[GradSchoolInfo@bridges.edu](mailto:GradSchoolInfo@bridges.edu)

818.506.1091

Accredited Programs

#### **Degree Programs:**

- Master's in Education (M.Ed.) in Cognitive Diversity
- Doctorate in Education (Ed.D.) in Cognitive Diversity

#### **Certificates:**

- Certificate in Twice Exceptional Education

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

#### **Calbright College**

**Founded 2018**

Ms. Ajita Talwalker Menon, President/CEO

1102 Q Street

Sacramento, CA 95811

<https://www.calbright.org/>

[success@calbright.org](mailto:success@calbright.org)

833.956.0225

Accredited programs

#### **Vocational Programs:**

- Medical Coding for Professional Services
- Introduction to Information Technology Support (A+)
- Introduction to Cybersecurity (Security+)

- Transition to Technology - CRM Customer Relationship Management (CRM) Platform Administration
- Upskilling for Equitable Health Impacts: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Introduction to Data Analysis

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**MIU City University Miami**

**Founded 2014**

Mr. Rafael Garcia Parajua, Executive Director

111 NE First Street

Miami, FL 33132

<https://miuniversity.edu/>

[info@miuniversity.edu](mailto:info@miuniversity.edu)

1-305-266-7678

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (English)
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Spanish)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering (English)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering (Spanish)
- Master of Science in International Business Administration (English)
- Master of Science in International Business Administration (Spanish)
- Master of Science in Educational Leadership, Management and Emerging Technologies (English)
- Master of Science in Educational Leadership, Management and Emerging Technologies (Spanish)

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**Newlane University**

**Founded 2017**

Dr. Ben Blair, President

3450 Triumph Boulevard, Suite 102

Lehi, UT 84043

<http://www.newlaneuniversity.com/>

[contact@newlaneuniversity.com](mailto:contact@newlaneuniversity.com)

(385) 204-3316

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Associate of Arts in General Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**San Diego Global Knowledge University**

**Founded 2007**

Dr. Miguel A. Cardenas, President

1095 K Street, Suite B

San Diego, CA 92101

<https://sdgku.edu/>

[info@sdgku.edu](mailto:info@sdgku.edu)

(619) 934-0797

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Bachelor of Science in Global Management
- Bachelor of Science in Global Management (Spanish)
- Master of Science in International Management
- Master of Science in International Management (Spanish)
- Master of Science in Communication and Technology
- Master of Science in Communication and Technology (Spanish)

**Vocational Program:**

- Full Stack Development Immersive

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**San Ignacio University**

**Founded 2007**

Mr. Ezer Tossas, Vice President of Operations and Corporate Affairs

3905 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite #301

Doral, FL 33178

<https://www.sanignaciouniversity.edu/>

[flagardere@sanignaciouniversity.edu](mailto:flagardere@sanignaciouniversity.edu)

305-629-2929

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Master in Business Administration (English)
- Master in Business Administration (Spanish)
- Master in Education (English)
- Master in Education (Spanish)
- Master in Hospitality Management (English)
- Master in Hospitality Management (Spanish)
  
- Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality Management (English)
- Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality Management (Spanish)
- Bachelor of Arts in International Business (English)
- Bachelor of Arts in International Business (Spanish)
- Bachelor of Arts in Marketing (English)
- Bachelor of Arts in Marketing (Spanish)
- Bachelor of Arts in Business (English)

- Bachelor of Arts in Business (Spanish)
- Academic Associate in Business (English)
- Academic Associate in Business (Spanish)
- Academic Associate in Hospitality Management (English)
- Academic Associate in Hospitality Management (Spanish)
- Academic Associate in International Business (English)
- Academic Associate in International Business (Spanish)
- Academic Associate in Marketing (English)
- Academic Associate in Marketing (Spanish)

**Avocational Programs:**

- English as a Second Language

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**Setanta College**

**Founded 2006**

Mr. Liam Hennessy, President

Oscar Wilde House

1 Merrion Square N

D02 NH98

Dublin, Ireland

The Commission's approval also includes a learning site at GAA National Games Development Centre, Dublin City, Dublin D15 K4pp

<https://www.setantacollege.com/>

[info@setantacollege.com](mailto:info@setantacollege.com)

+353 (0)504 26723

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Bachelor of Science in Strength and Conditioning

**Certificates/Diplomas:**

- Higher Certificate of Science in Strength and Conditioning
- Certificate of Science in Strength and Conditioning
- Certificate of Science in Functional Screening & Resistance Training
- Diploma in Personal Training and Strength & Conditioning

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**Thirdmill Seminary**

**Founded 2018**

Dr. Gregory S. Perry, President and Associate Professor of New Testament

316 Live Oaks Boulevard

Casselberry, FL 32707

<https://www.thirdmillseminary.org/>

[info@thirdmillseminary.org](mailto:info@thirdmillseminary.org)

407-755-4970

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Master of Arts in Christian Studies
- Master of Arts in Christian Studies (offered in Spanish: Maestría en Artes en Estudios Cristianos)]

**Graduate Certificates:**

- Graduate Certificate in Christian Studies

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**University of Pasadena**

**Founded 2011**

Dr. Narayanan Solayappan, Chief Operating Officer (COO)

19401 South Vermont Avenue

Torrance, CA 90502

<http://www.upasadena.org/>

[ashok@upasadena.org](mailto:ashok@upasadena.org)

626-600-8727

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Master of Arts in Education

The institution is accredited through June 2026.

**Renewal of Accreditation**

The Commission took action to renew the accreditation of the following institutions.

**American College of Healthcare Sciences**

**Founded 1978**

Ms. Tracey Abell, President

5005 South Macadam Avenue

Portland, OR 97238

<http://www.achs.edu>

[achs@achs.edu](mailto:achs@achs.edu)

503-244-0726

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Associate of Applied Science in Health and Wellness
- Associate of Applied Science in Integrative Health Sciences
- Bachelor of Science in Holistic Nutrition
- Bachelor of Science in Integrative Health Sciences
- Master of Science in Aromatherapy
- Master of Science in Health and Wellness
- Master of Science in Herbal Medicine
- Master of Science in Holistic Nutrition

- Master of Science in Integrative Health Sciences
- Doctor of Science in Integrative Health

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**Undergraduate Certificates/Diplomas:**

- Certificate in Aromatherapy
- Certificate in Herbal Studies
- Certificate in Holistic Nutrition Consulting
- Certificate in Integrative Health and Fitness Training
- Certificate in Natural Products Manufacturing
- Certificate in Wellness Consulting
- Diploma in Aromatherapy Master Aromatherapist
- Diploma in Herbal Studies Master Herbalist
- Diploma in Holistic Health Practice

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**Graduate Certificates:**

- Graduate Certificate in Aromatherapy
- Graduate Certificate in Integrative Health and Wellness
- Graduate Certificate in Herbal Medicine
- Graduate Certificate in Holistic Nutrition
- Graduate Certificate in Wellness Coaching

The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**Bottega University**

Dr. Timothy J. Harrington, President

50 West Broadway, Suite 300

Salt Lake City, UT 84101

<http://www.bottega.edu>

[enroll@bottega.edu](mailto:enroll@bottega.edu)

888-639-1388

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Associate of Science in Business
- Associate of Science in Communication
- Associate of Science in Computer Science Business
- Bachelor of Arts in Communication
- Bachelor of Science in Business - Entrepreneurship
- Bachelor of Science in Business - General Business
- Bachelor of Science in Business - Management/Leadership
- Bachelor of Science in Business - Sales/Sales Management
- Bachelor of Science in Business - Computer Science Business
- Master of Business Administration - Entrepreneurship
- Master of Business Administration - Finance
- Master of Business Administration - Health Care Management

**Founded 1994**

- Master of Business Administration - Human Resource Management
- Master of Business Administration - Information Technology Management
- Master of Business Administration - Management
- Master of Business Administration - Marketing
- Master of Business Administration - Sales Management
- Master of Business Administration - Strategic Leadership

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**Undergraduate Certificates:**

- Full Stack Development Undergraduate Certificate
- Business Administration Undergraduate Certificate
- Business Entrepreneurship Undergraduate Certificate
- Business Management Undergraduate Certificate
- Business Operations & Leadership Undergraduate Certificate
- Business Organizational Management Undergraduate Certificate
- Criminal Justice: Leadership and Special Populations Undergraduate Certificate

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**Graduate Certificates:**

- Business Information Technology Graduate Certificate
- Criminal Justice: Leadership and Multicultural Issues Graduate Certificate

The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**California Intercontinental University**

**Founded 2003**

Mr. Richard Madrigal, President

2601 Main Street, Suite 250

Irvine, CA 92614

<http://www.caluniversity.edu>

info@CalUniversity.edu

949-359-0045

Accredited Programs

**Degree**

- Associate of Arts in Business Administration (AA-BA)
- Associate of Arts in Information Technology (AA-IT)
- Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA-GEN)
- Bachelor of Business Administration in Healthcare Administration (BBA-HCA)
- Bachelor of Business Administration in Internet Marketing and Entrepreneurship (BBA-IME)
- Bachelor of Engineering Information Technology in Networking and System Security (BEIT-NSS)
- Bachelor of Engineering Information Technology in Project Management (BEIT-PM)
- Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems (BS-MIS)
- Master of Business Administration (MBA-GEN)
- Master of Business Administration in Banking and Finance (MBA-BF)
- Master of Business Administration in Healthcare Management and Leadership (MBA-HCML)

- Master of Business Administration in Information Systems and Knowledge Management (MBA-ISKM)
- Master of Business Administration in International Management and Marketing (MBA-IMM)
- Master of Business Administration in Organizational Development and Human Resource Management (MBA-ODHRM)
- Master of Business Administration in Project Quality Management (MBA-PQM)
- Doctorate of Business Administration (DBA-GEN)
- Doctorate of Business Administration in Entrepreneurship and Business Management (DBA-EBM)
- Doctorate of Business Administration in Global Business and Management (DBA-GBL)
- Doctorate of Business Administration in Healthcare Management and Leadership (DBA-HCML)
- Doctorate of Business Administration in Information Systems and Enterprise Resource Management (DBA-ISERM)

The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**Dunlap-Stone University**

**Founded 1995**

Dr. Caulyne Barron, President

16165 North 83rd Avenue Suite 200

Peoria, AZ 85382

[info@dunlap-stone.edu](mailto:info@dunlap-stone.edu)

info@dunlap-stone.edu

602-648-5750

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Associate of Arts: Business Administration
- Bachelor Science: International Trade Management
- Master of Science: Regulatory Trade Compliance
- Master of Business Administration: International Management

**Certificate Programs:**

- Studies in Exporting
- Studies in Freight Forwarding
- Studies in Importing
- Studies in International Trade Documentation
- Studies in International Trade Finance
- Studies in International Trade Logistics
- Studies in International Trade Management
- Studies in International Trade Marketing
- Studies in Professional International Trade Administration
- Studies in US Export Compliance
- Studies in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations



The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**Lionel University**

**Founded 1988**

Dr. Sal Arria, CEO

1013 Mark Avenue

Carpinteria, CA 93013

<https://www.lionel.edu/>

sarria@lionel.edu

800-650-4772

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Master of Science in Exercise Science
- Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science
- Associate of Science in Exercise Science

**Certificate Programs:**

- Master Trainer Certificate

The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**NationsUniversity**

**Founded 1996**

Dr. John Baxter, President/CEO

650 Poydras Street, Ste 1400, PMB 133

New Orleans, LA 70130

<https://nationsu.edu/>

info@nationsu.edu

866-617-6446

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Bachelor of Religious Studies
- Master of Theological Studies
- Master of Divinity

**Undergraduate Certificates:**

- Certificate in Biblical Studies
- Certificate in Christian Ministry

**Graduate Certificates**

- Graduate Certificate in Biblical Studies

The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**Sonoran Desert Institute**

**Founded 2000**

Ms. Traci Lee, President

1555 West University Drive, Suite 103

Tempe, AZ 85281

<http://www.sdi.edu>

info@sdi.edu

480-314-2102

Accredited Programs

**Degree Programs:**

- Associate of Science in Firearms Technology (ASFT)

**Certificates:**

- Certificate in Firearms Technology - Gunsmithing (CFT-G)
- Certificate in Unmanned Technology - Aerial Systems (CUT-AS)
- Archery Equipment Certificate (AEC)
- Certificate in Manufacturing Technology – Design
- Certificate in Firearms Technology – Handgun Specialist

The institution is accredited through June 2028.

**Show Cause Directives**

The Commission took action to direct the following institution to show cause why its accreditation should not be withdrawn.

**Anaheim University**

**Founded 1996**

Dr. Andrew Honeycutt, President

1240 South State College Boulevard, Room 110

Anaheim, CA 92806-5150

[www.anaheim.edu](http://www.anaheim.edu)

[Admin@anaheim.edu](mailto:Admin@anaheim.edu)

800-955-6040

Information about the reasons for the Commission's decisions and the pertinent standards can be found [on the DEAC website](#).

**Voluntary Withdrawal from Accreditation**

The following institution voluntarily withdrew from accreditation, effective July 31, 2023.

**Wright Graduate University for the Realization of Human Potential<sup>1</sup>**

**Founded 2008**

Dr. Mike Zwell, President

1207 West Canal Street

Milwaukee, WI 53233

DEAC approved the institution's teach-out agreement with Maharishi International University.

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<sup>1</sup> Wright Graduate University for the Realization of Human Potential has a site in Illinois that operates under the DBA, Wright Graduate School for the Realization of Human Potential.

The following institution notified DEAC of its intention to voluntarily withdraw from accreditation, effective August 25, 2023. The institution remains accredited until August 25, 2023.

### **Huntington University of Health Sciences**

**Founded 1985**

Mr. Arthur M. Presser, President

118 Legacy View Way

Knoxville, TN 37918

DEAC approved the institution's teach-out agreement with American College of Healthcare Sciences.

## **Substantive Changes**

### **Change of Location**

The Commission took action to confirm a change of location for the following institution. The current approved address is shown below.

- **Moreland University**, 110017<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Suite 650, Washington, DC20036

### **Change in Core Mission**

The Commission affirmed a change in core mission for the following institution.

- **Sonoran Desert Institute**, 1555 West University Drive, Suite 103 Tempe, AZ 85281

The institution's mission is approved as follows:

*To provide students with current, industry-driven, quality education with a focus on specialized programs delivered through online distance education and practical application. SDI is committed to continuous improvement in our instructional processes and the overall student experience. We accomplish this through student and graduate achievement and satisfaction as well as our stakeholder relationships and reputation in the markets we serve.*

### **Change of Ownership**

The Commission took action to confirm a change of ownership for the following institutions.

- **Acacia University**, 7665 South Research Drive, Tempe, AZ 85284. Westford Ventures LLC owns Acacia University and has it registered by Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education. Westford Ventures LLC sold 27 percent of their shares to Sofia Corporation. The Sofia Corporation deal was finalized on March 24, 2023, and the first installment was made on March 28, 2023. Westford Ventures LLC in Delaware is 100 percent owned by Westford Ventures LLC (which is the parent holding company registered in ADGM (Abu Dhabi Global Markets) UAE).
- **Childcare Education Institute**, 3059 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard N.W., Suite 100, Duluth, GA 30097. StraighterLine, Inc. acquired ChildCare Education Institute, LLC, (CCEI), previously a wholly owned subsidiary of Excelligence Learning Corporation (Excelligence), on August 1, 2022. StraighterLine is 100 percent owned by Brentwood

Private Equity (BV Investment Partners), a private equity organization registered in Delaware. There are multiple levels of ownership by BV Investment Partners:

- Level 1: StraighterLine, Inc. (100%)
- Level 2: BV SL Intermediate Holdings, Inc. (100%)
- Level 3: BV SL Parent, Inc. (100%)
- Level 4: BV SL Holdings, L.P. (100%)

### **In-Residence Component**

The Commission took action to confirm in-residence components for the following institutions.

- **Grace Communion Seminary**, 3120 Whitehall Park Drive, Charlotte, NC 28273. The in-residence program components are offered at the institution's primary address.
- **Southwest University of Naprapathic Medicine**, 2006 Botolph Road, Suite A, Santa Fe, NM 87505. The in-residence program components are offered at 4223 Montgomery Boulevard, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110.

### **Approval of New Programs**

The Commission affirmed the approval of the following new programs.

- **Blackstone Career Institute**, 1011 Brookside Road, Suite 300, Allentown, PA 18106  
Legal Nurse Consultant Certificate
- **City Vision University**, 3101 Troost Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64109  
Associate of Science in Nonprofit Management
- **Sonoran Desert Institute**, 1555 West University Drive, Suite 103, Tempe, AZ 85281  
Archery Certificate
- **Weston Distance Learning**, 2001 Lowe Street, Fort Collins, CO 80525  
EKG Technician