

Distance Education Accrediting Commission

Public Notice: Show Cause Directive

November 4, 2021

The DEAC Accrediting Commission will provide written notice to the U.S. Secretary of Education, the appropriate state licensing or authorizing agencies and accrediting agencies at the same time it notifies the institution of a Show Cause Directive. In addition, DEAC will provide written notice to the public on its website of the decision within 24 hours of the decision and provide a brief statement summarizing the reasons for the decision. (Section XV., Processes and Procedures, *DEAC Accreditation Handbook*). At its October 12, 2021 meeting, the Commission voted to continue to direct the following school to show cause why accreditation should not be withdrawn:

**California Miramar University
3550 Camino Del Rio N., Suite 208
San Diego, CA**

The Commission initially voted to direct CMU to show cause as to why its accreditation should not be withdrawn at its June 2021 meeting and required evidence of the institution's compliance with the following DEAC accreditation standards: Standard X.B – Reputation of Institution, Owners, Governing Board Members, Officials and Administrators; Standard VII.A – Advertising and Promotion; Standard VII.C – Student Recruitment; Standard XI.D – Discounts; Standard XI.A – Financial Practices; Standard XI.C – Financial Stability and Sustainability; Standard III.I – Student Integrity and Academic Honesty; Standard III.J – Institutional Review Board; Standard V.A – Student Achievement; Standard VI.C – Instructors, Faculty and Staff; Standard II.B – Strategic Planning; Standard III.D – Comprehensive Curricula and Instructional Materials; Standard III.E – Curricula Development and Delivery.

CMU provided DEAC with a Teach Out Plan and Teach Out Agreements with accredited distance education institutions that offer similar programs of study in accordance with Section XXI.C, Processes and Procedures, *DEAC Accreditation Handbook*.

At its October 2021 meeting, the Commission voted to continue the Show Cause Directive and will review additional information pertaining to CMU at its DEAC's January 2022 Commission meeting. The Commission is requiring additional information and documentation regarding CMU's co-curricular sports program and the institution's compliance with Standard VII.A. Advertising and Promotion, Standard VII.C Student Recruitment, Standard VIII. Admission Practices and Enrollment Agreements, Standard IX, Financial Disclosures, Cancellations and Refund Policies. In addition, and while the review of additional information on the aforementioned standards is underway, the Commission is requiring CMU to commence with a total re-evaluation of the institution's compliance with all DEAC accreditation standards. The [action letter](#) sets forth the specific terms of the continued Show Cause directive.