



Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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June 29, 2012

Dr. Felix V. Matos Rodriguez
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Dear Dr. Matos Rodriguez:

At its session on June 28, 2012, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To reaffirm accreditation and to request a progress report, due November 1, 2013, documenting further development and implementation of an organized and sustained assessment process to evaluate all educational offerings (Standard 11) and general education as a discrete program (Standard 12) with a focus on student learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Statement of Accreditation Status for your institution. The Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) provides important basic information about the institution and its affiliation with the Commission, and it is made available to the public in the Directory of Members and Candidates on the Commission's website at www.msche.org. Accreditation applies to the institution as detailed in the SAS; institutional information is derived from data provided by the institution through annual reporting and from Commission actions. If any of the institutional information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

Please check to ensure that published references to your institution's accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency. Further guidance is provided in the Commission's policy statement *Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status*. If the action for your institution includes preparation of a progress report, monitoring report or supplemental report, please see our policy statement on *Follow-up Reports and Visits*. Both policies can be obtained from our website.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Hostos Community College of the City University of New York. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Tito Guerrero, Vice President.

Sincerely,

R. Barbara Gitenstein, Ph.D.
Chair

c: Dr. Matthew Goldstein, Chancellor, City University of New York Central Administration

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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Enrollment (Headcount): 7078 Undergraduate
Control: Public
Affiliation: Local
Carnegie Classification: Associate's - Public Urban-serving Multicampus
Degrees Offered: Postsecondary Certificate (≥ 1 year, < 2 years), Associate's;
Distance Education Programs: No
Accreditors Approved by U.S. Secretary of Education: American Dental Association, Commission on Dental Accreditation; Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: None
Additional Locations: None
Other Instructional Sites: None

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1974
Last Reaffirmed: June 28, 2012

Most Recent Commission Action:

June 28, 2012: To reaffirm accreditation and to request a progress report, due November 1,

2013, documenting further development and implementation of an organized and sustained assessment process to evaluate all educational offerings (Standard 11) and general education as a discrete program (Standard 12) with a focus on student learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

- November 15, 2007: To accept the Periodic Review Report and to reaffirm accreditation. To request a progress letter due October 1, 2009, documenting further progress in the implementation of an organized, comprehensive, and sustained process for the assessment of student learning outcomes, including evidence that student learning assessment information is linked to strategic planning and used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2011-2012.
- November 19, 2009: To accept the progress letter. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2011-2012.

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2021 - 2022

Next Periodic Review Report: 2017

Date Printed: June 29, 2012

DEFINITIONS

Branch Campus - A location of an institution that is geographically apart and independent of the main campus of the institution. The location is independent if the location: offers courses in educational programs leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential; has its own faculty and administrative or supervisory organization; and has its own budgetary and hiring authority.

Additional Location - A location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of an educational program. **ANYA** ("Approved but Not Yet Active") indicates that the location is included within the scope of accreditation but has not yet begun to offer courses. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have begun at this location.

Other Instructional Sites - A location, other than a branch campus or additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit.

Distance Education Programs - Yes or No indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer one or more degree or certificate/diploma programs for which students could meet 50% or more of their requirements by taking distance education courses.

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION ACTIONS

An institution's accreditation continues unless it is explicitly suspended or removed. In addition to reviewing the institution's accreditation status at least every 5 years, actions are taken for substantive changes (such as a new degree or geographic site, or a change of ownership) or when other events occur that require review for continued compliance. Any type of report or visit required by the Commission is reviewed and voted on by the Commission after it is completed.