



## COMMISSION ACTIONS

### CANDIDATE STATUS

Candidate Status is granted to institutions that are in Basic Compliance with the TRACS Standards. Basic Compliance is the determination by the Accreditation Commission that an institution is in full compliance with all Standards related to the Institutional Eligibility Requirements (IERs) and has the ability to be in Substantive Compliance with all of the Accreditation Standards within the period of candidacy. Candidacy is for a period of up to a five-years. During that time, each institution must come into Substantive Compliance with all of the Accreditation Standards, conduct a self-study, host an on-site team evaluation, and appear before the Accreditation Commission for Accredited Status by April 2022. To maintain Candidate Status, the institution must remain in compliance with all IER-related standards.

The following institutions were granted Candidate Status by the TRACS Accreditation Commission after completing a successful self-study and being evaluated by an on-site evaluation team:

**African Bible College** (Area 47, Plot 530, Lilongwe, Malawi, Southeast Africa)

At the April 24-26, 2017, meeting, the TRACS Accreditation Commission voted to grant African Bible College (ABC) Candidate Status as a Category III institution. The Commission action requires that the institution submit a Progress Report by August 15, 2017, addressing any remaining recommendations and suggestions of the visiting team. Additionally, ABC must demonstrate compliance with all remaining recommendations prior to receiving permission to begin the process for Accredited Status.

**Athens College of Ministry** (1331 New High Shoals Rd, Watkinsville, GA 30677)

At the April 24-26, 2017, meeting, the TRACS Accreditation Commission voted to grant Athens College of Ministry (ACOM) Candidate Status as a Category III institution. The Commission action requires that the institution submit a Progress Report by August 15, 2017, addressing any remaining recommendations and suggestions of the visiting team. Additionally, ACOM must demonstrate compliance with all remaining recommendations prior to receiving permission to begin the process for Accredited Status.

**California Graduate School of Theology** (11277 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92843)

At the April 24-26, 2017, meeting, the TRACS Accreditation Commission voted to grant California Graduate School of Theology (CGSOT) Candidate Status as a Category IV institution. The Commission action requires that the institution submit a Progress Report by August 15, 2017, addressing any remaining recommendations and suggestions of the visiting team. Additionally, CGSOT must demonstrate compliance with all remaining recommendations prior to receiving permission to begin the process for Accredited Status.

**Kernel University** (3319 W. Lincoln Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92804)

At the April 24-26, 2017, meeting, the TRACS Accreditation Commission voted to grant Kernel University (KU) Candidate Status as a Category III institution. The Commission action requires that the institution submit a Progress Report by August 15, 2017, addressing any remaining recommendations and suggestions of the visiting team. Additionally, KU must demonstrate compliance with all remaining recommendations prior to receiving permission to begin the process for Accredited Status.

**Southeastern Free Will Baptist College** (532 Eagle Rock Road, Wendell, NC 27591)

At the April 24-26, 2017, meeting, the TRACS Accreditation Commission voted to grant Southeastern Free Will Baptist College (SFWBC) Candidate Status as a Category II institution with one condition. The Commission action requires that the institution submit a Progress Report by August 15, 2017, demonstrating compliance with the condition and addressing any remaining recommendations and suggestions of the visiting team. Additionally, SFWBC must demonstrate compliance with all remaining recommendations prior to receiving permission to begin the process for Accredited Status.