

Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools Accreditation Commission Zoom Meeting October 26-27, 2020

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 five years. During that time, each institution must come into compliance with all TRACS Standards, conduct a Self-Study, host an Evaluation Team, and appear before the Accreditation Commission for Accredited Status by October 2025. 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:

Bennett College (900 E. Washington Street, Greensboro, NC 27401)

Great Northern University (611 E. Indiana Ave., Spokane, WA 99207)

Jackson Theological Seminary (520 Locust Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114)

Sattler College (100 Cambridge Street, Suite 1701, Boston, MA 02114)

ACCREDITED STATUS

Accredited Status is granted to institutions that are in Substantive Compliance with the TRACS Standards. Substantive Compliance indicates that the Accreditation Commission has determined that an institution's level of compliance is sufficient to warrant accreditation and that the institution can come into full compliance with all the Accreditation Standards within a maximum of two years. Initial accreditation is for a period of five years. For Reaffirmation I, each institution must complete a successful self-study, host an on-site team evaluation, respond to the team recommendations, and appear before the Accreditation Commission by October 2025.

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

African Bible College—Malawi (P.O. Box 1028, Lilongwe, Malawi, S.E. Africa 90010)

The Bible Seminary (2655 South Mason Road, Katy, TX 77450)

Calvary Chapel University (8344 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92111)

<u>Daybreak University</u> (1818 S. Western Ave. #200, Los Angeles, CA 90006)

HIS University (1245 West 6th Street, Corona, CA 92882)

Horizon University (2040 S. Brea Canyon Rd., Suite 100, Diamond Bar, CA 91765)

International American University (3440 Wilshire Blvd., #1000, Los Angeles, CA 90010)

Paine College (1235 15th Street, Augusta, GA 30901)

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

University of South Los Angeles (555 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., Gardena, CA 90248)

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES APPROVED BY THE TRACS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION:

<u>Underwood University</u> (2855 Rolling Pin Lane, Suwanee, GA 30024)

To add Distance Education

Western Covenant University (680 Wilshire Place, Suite 310, Los Angeles, CA 90005)

• To add a B.S. in Computer Science

INSTITUTIONAL CHANGES REVIEWED BY THE ACCREDITATION COMMISSION

The TRACS Accreditation Commission reviewed the following institutional changes, previously approved by TRACS:

Piedmont International University (420 South Broad Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101)

• To change the name of the institution to "Carolina University"

<u>Faith Theological Seminary</u> (529 Walker Ave., Baltimore, MD 21212)

• To relocate the institution to: 1518 N. Rolling Road, Catonsville, MD 21228 (Institution's accreditation was subsequently terminated.)

Grace School of Theology (3705 College Park Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77384)

To close Spain branch campus

Oikos University (7901 Oakport Street, Suite 3000, Oakland, CA 94621)

• To add a teaching site at: 3450 Wilshire Blvd., #1010, Los Angeles, CA 90010

<u>Underwood University</u> (2855 Rolling Pin Lane, Suwanee, GA 30024)

To add a teaching site at: 1818 S. Western Avenue, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90006

<u>Virginia University of Lynchburg</u> (2058 Garfield Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24501)

• To close all teaching sites

Visible Music College (200 Madison Avenue, Memphis, TN 38103)

• Pilot approval: to change Redding, California teaching site into a branch campus

Western Covenant University (680 Wilshire PI #310, Los Angeles, CA 90005)

To add a teaching site at: 425 Tasman Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94089

STANDARDS REVIEW

The TRACS Accreditation Commission approved changes to the *TRACS Accreditation Manual* for distribution to the public for a 30-day comment period.

BOARD POLICY REVIEW

The TRACS Accreditation Commission approved changes to the following Policies for distribution to TRACS member institutions for a 30-day comment period:

- Board Policy 207 (Institutional Staff Reviews)
- Board Policy 211 (Commission Actions Against Institutions)
- Board Policy 219 (Appeals)
- Board Policy 222 (Closure of an Institution, a Branch Campus or a Teaching Site)
- Board Policy 229 (Distance Education)