

Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools Accreditation Commission Meeting April 24-25, 2023

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. 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:

<u>Charisma University</u> (#44 Salt Mills Plaza, Grace Bay, Providenciales, TKCA 1ZZ, Turks & Caicos Islands)

Hope College of Arts and Sciences (1200 SW, 3rd Street, Pompano Beach, FL 33317)

The Millard College (125 S. Main Cross Street, Louisa, KY 41230)

Pacific American Global University (3470 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 617, Los Angeles, CA 90010)

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.

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:

Bennett College (900 East Washington Street, Greensboro, NC 27401)

Nobel University (505 Shatto Place, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90020)

REAFFIRMATION

Reaffirmation 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. Reaffirmation is for a period of ten years with an Interim Fifth Year Review (IFYR). For the next Reaffirmation cycle, the institution must complete a successful self-study, host an on-site team evaluation, respond to the team recommendations, and appear before the Accreditation Commission.

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

Clinton College (1029 Crawford Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730)

Elim Bible Institute and College (7245 College Street, Lima, NY 14485)

EUCON University (Kulales Place, Chalan Pale Arnold Rd., Saipan, MP 96950)

Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary (3134 E. Medicine Lake Boulevard, Plymouth, MN 55441)

<u>Haven University</u> (12761 Euclid Street, Garden Grove, CA 92840)

Omega Graduate School (500 Oxford Drive, Dayton, TN 37321)

APPROVAL OF EXTENSION FOR TEACHOUT

California Christian College (5364 E. Belmont Avenue, Fresno, CA 93727)

At the meeting on April 24, 2023, the TRACS Accreditation Commission approved the request of California Christian College (CCC) to extend its accreditation until December 31, 2023. This will allow time for CCC to complete the TRACS-approved teach-out plan for eligible students, after which the institution will cease operations. During this period, no new students may be enrolled, and CCC must maintain operational transparency with the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE), while also adhering to the BPPE's regulations for teach-out and eventual closure. A current status of CCC's teach-out plan and BPPE compliance must be reported to TRACS by September 15, 2023, for review by the TRACS Accreditation Commission in its fall meeting.

POLICY REVIEW

The TRACS Accreditation Commission approved changes to the policies below for release to TRACS member institutions for a 30-day comment period as required by TRACS Board Policy 303.

- BP 102 (Definitions)
- BP 226 (Institutional Changes)
- BP 227 (Branch Campus)
- BP 228 (Teaching Site (Additional Location))
- BP 304 (The Application Process)

The TRACS Accreditation Commission gave final approval for changes to the policies below. According to TRACS policy, these policies were previously distributed to TRACS member institutions and posted on the TRACS website for a 30-day comment period.

- BP 104 (Complaints Against Member Institutions or TRACS)
- BP 202 (Institutional Leadership Reporting to TRACS)
- BP 307 (Third-Party Comments)

STANDARDS REVIEW

The TRACS Accreditation Commission gave final approval for changes to Standards 6.1, 7.4, 8.1, 9.1, and 11.3 of the *TRACS Accreditation Manual*. According to TRACS policy, changes to this Standard were previously distributed for a 30-day public comment period.

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES APPROVED BY THE TRACS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION:

The Crown College of the Bible (2307 W. Beaver Creek Drive, Powell, TN 37849)

- To add a B.S. in Biochemistry
- To add a B.S. in Biology
- To add an A.S. in Cybersecurity
- To add an A.S. in Software Development

Grace Mission University (1645 W. Valencia Dr., Fullerton, CA 92833)

To add a Ph.D. program in Counseling Psychology

Heritage Bible College (494 Antioch Church Road, Dunn, NC 28334)

• To add an M.Div. in Christian Leadership (change to Category III)

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

To bring B.S. in Computer Science out of abeyance

Veritas Baptist College (208 Walnut Street, Suite 115, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025)

• To add a D.Min. program (change to Category IV)

Virginia University of Lynchburg (2058 Garfield Ave, Lynchburg, VA 24501)

• To add a B.A. in E-Sports Management

INSTITUTIONAL CHANGES REVIEWED BY THE ACCREDITATION COMMISSION

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

EUCON International University (Kulales Place, Chalan Pale Arnold Rd., Gualo Rai, Saipan, 96950

To add a teaching site at: RJD Edward Theological College, Hanamkonda, Telangana, 506001, India

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

- To close South Korea branch campus at Calvin University
- To close the following teaching sites:
 - First Baptist Church, Beaumont, TX
 - o True Life Christian Fellowship, Midland, TX
 - o Baptist Theological Seminary of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR
 - Hilltop Baptist Church, Chula Vista, CA
 - Sixth Baptist Church Guantanamo, Reparto Ruben Lopex Saboriego, CU
 - Iglesia Manantial de Vida, Sagua, Cuba
 - o Primera Inglesia Bautista, Santiago de Cuba, CU
 - San Pedro Sula, HN
 - o STBC, Tecate, MX

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

To relocate Garden Grove, CA teaching site to: 17801 Cartwright Road, Irvine, CA 92614

International Baptist College and Seminary (2211 W. Germann Road, Chandler, AZ 85286)

• To close Westminster, CO teaching site

Veritas Baptist College (181 US 50 E, Suite 204, Greendale, IN 47025)

• To relocate the institution's offices to: 208 Walnut Street, Suite 115, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025

Washington Theological Seminary (7700 Little River Turnpike, Suite 205, Annandale, VA 22003)

- To relocate the institution to: 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 201, Fairfax, VA 22030
- To close Arlington, VA teaching site

Word of Life Bible Institute (4200 Glendale Road, Pottersville, NY 12860)

• To change the address of the institution to: 4230 Glendale Road, Pottersville, NY 12860 (notice of change not requiring approval)