



Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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June 24, 2016

Dr. Susan H. Fuhrman
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Dear Dr. Fuhrman:

At its session on June 23, 2016, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To reaffirm accreditation and commend the institution for the quality of the self-study process and report. The date for the next accreditation review will be determined by the Commission when it revises the accreditation cycle.

This action is an affirming action, as explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*, which is available on the Commission's website.

Enclosed is a copy of the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) for your review. If any of the factual information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

In accordance with the policy *Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status*, the accreditation status of the institution must be accurately represented. Please ensure that published references to your institution's candidate status or accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) are accurate and include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency, and the effective date (month and year) when status was granted. Candidate for Accreditation is a status with the Commission that indicates that an institution has achieved membership and is progressing toward, but is not assured of, accreditation.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Teachers College of Columbia University. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Ellie A. Fogarty, Vice President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George A. Pruitt', written over a white background.

George A. Pruitt, Ph.D.
Chair



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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Enrollment (Headcount): 5090 Graduate
Control: Private (Non-Profit)
Affiliation: None
2015 Carnegie Classification: Doctoral Universities - Higher Research Activity
Approved Degree Levels: Master's, Doctor's - Research/Scholarship;
Distance Education Programs: Fully Approved
Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: American Psychological Association, Commission on Accreditation ; American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology ; Council for the Accreditation of Education Preparation (CAEP); New York State Board of Regents, and the Commissioner of Education

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: None

Additional Locations: National Institute of Education, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore; Tulane University, New Orleans, LA.

Other Instructional Sites: Beijing Language and Culture University, No. 15 Xueyuan Road, Haidian District, Beijing, China.

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1921

Last Reaffirmed: June 23, 2016

Most Recent Commission Action:

June 23, 2016: To reaffirm accreditation and commend the institution for the quality of the self-study process and report. The date for the next accreditation review

will be determined by the Commission when it revises the accreditation cycle.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

- November 17, 2011: To accept the Periodic Review Report, to reaffirm accreditation, and to commend the institution for progress to date and for the quality of the Periodic Review Report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.
- February 28, 2012: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the additional location at Tulane University, 6823 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA, 70118 provisionally within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the beginning of operations. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at each additional location. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. To note the institution's decision to close the additional location at Long Island U. C.W. Post Campus, Greenvale, NY. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.
- November 15, 2012: To note the visit by the Commission's representative and to affirm inclusion of the additional location at 6823 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70188 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.
- March 6, 2014: To note the visit by the Commission's representatives and to affirm inclusion of the additional location at the National Institute of Education, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.
- April 27, 2015: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note the institution's decision to close its branch campus in Tokyo, Japan. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2025 - 2026

Date Printed: June 24, 2016

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 - Fully Approved, Approved (one program approved) or Not Approved indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer diploma/certificate/degree programs via distance education (programs for which students could meet 50% or more of the requirements of the program by taking distance education courses). Per the Commission's Substantive Change policy, Commission approval of the first two Distance Education programs is required to be "Fully Approved." If only one program is approved by the Commission, the specific name of the program will be listed in parentheses after "Approved."

Commission actions are explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*.