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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS
UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE BAYAMON

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION
Enrollment (Headcount): 1315 Undergraduate; 350 Graduate

Control: Private (Non-Profit)

Affiliation: Religious- Roman Catholic Church

2015 Carnegie Classification: Master's Colleges & Universities - Medium Programs

Approved Credential Levels: Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (< 1 year), Associate's, Bachelor's,

Master's;

Distance Education Programs: Not Approved

Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: Council on Social Work Education

Instructional Locations
Branch Campuses: None

Additional Locations: None

Other Instructional Sites: Academia Santo Tomas de Aquino Superior, Bayamon, PR

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION
Status: Member since 1971

Last Reaffirmed: June 27, 2013

Most Recent Commission Action:

October 19, 2017: To request a supplemental information report due December 1, 2017, regarding the status of the institution.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

June 27, 2013: To reaffirm accreditation and to commend the institution for the quality of the self-study process. To request a monitoring report, due September 1, 2014, documenting (1) evidence of the development and implementation of an enrollment management plan and the utilization of those results in program planning and budgeting (Standard 8) and (2) evidence that faculty are sufficiently numerous to support the delivery of academic programs (Standard 10). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.

November 20, 2014: To accept the monitoring report. To request a progress report, due April 1, 2016, documenting further progress in the provision of a faculty that is sufficiently numerous to support the delivery of academic programs, noting the progress made in each year

following the last evaluation team visit (Standard 10). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.

June 23, 2016: To accept the progress report. The date for the next accreditation review will be determined by the Commission when it revises the accreditation cycle.

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2022 - 2023

Date Printed: February 20, 2018

DEFINITIONS

Branch Campus - A branch campus is a domestic or international location of an institution that is geographically apart, independent of the primary/main campus. The branch campus is considered independent of the main campus if it is permanent in nature; 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. (34 CFR §600.2)

Additional Location - An additional location is a domestic or international location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the primary/main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of the requirements of an educational program. (34 CFR §602.22) **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. **ANYC** ("Approved but Not Yet Closed") indicates that the institution has requested that the location be officially closed through the substantive change process. The location is currently included within the scope of accreditation but the institution will be stopping all operations at this location in the near future. The institution should inform the Commission (via email at sc@msche.org) of the date that operations cease. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have stopped at this location and the location is no longer listed on the SAS.

Other Instructional Sites - MSCHE defines an other instructional site as any off-campus site, other than those meeting the definition of a branch campus or an additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit. Sites designated as an other instructional site do not require substantive change approval. However, substantive change approval is required to reclassify an other instructional site to or from a branch campus or additional location.

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](#).