

STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Enrollment (Headcount): 14585 Undergraduate
Control: Public
Affiliation: Government-Local- None
2015 Carnegie Classification: Associate's Colleges - High Transfer-High Traditional
Approved Degree Levels: Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (< 1 year), Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (>=1 year, < 2 years), Associate's;
Distance Education Programs: Fully Approved

Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. ; American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar ; American Dental Association, Commission on Dental Accreditation ; American Veterinary Medical Association, Council on Education ; Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology

Other Accreditors: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
Joint Review Commission in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
Medical Assisting Education Review Board
Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions
Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care
Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: None

Additional Locations: Bergen Community College at the Meadowlands, Lyndhurst, NJ

Other Instructional Sites: Bergen County Law and Public Safety Institute, Mahwah, NJ; Dwight Morrow High School, Englewood, NJ; Fort Lee High School, Fort Lee, NJ; Philip Ciarco Jr. Learning Center, Hackensack, NJ

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1972

Last Reaffirmed: June 23, 2016

Most Recent Commission Action:

June 23, 2016: To reaffirm accreditation and to recognize the institution for progress to date. 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:

March 7, 2013: To accept the monitoring report and to note the visit by the Commission's representatives. To remove the warning and reaffirm accreditation because the institution is now in compliance with Standards 7 (Institutional Assessment) and 14 (Assessment of Student Learning). To request a monitoring report, due by October 1, 2013, documenting (1) further implementation of a comprehensive, organized, and sustained process for the assessment of institutional effectiveness, including evidence that results are used in budgeting, planning, and allocating resources (Standard 7); and (2) further implementation of a documented process to assess the achievement of program-level student learning goals, including General Education (Standard 14). A visit may follow submission of the monitoring report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

November 21, 2013: To accept the monitoring report and to note that a visit will not be conducted at this time. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2025 - 2026

Date Printed: July 27, 2016

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](#).