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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Enrollment (Headcount): 4384 Undergraduate ; 815 Graduate
Control: Private (Non-Profit)
Affiliation: None
2015 Carnegie Classification: Doctoral Universities - Moderate Research Activity
Approved Degree Levels: Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (< 1 year), Bachelor's, Postbaccalaureate Award/Cert/Diploma, Master's, Doctor's - Professional Practice, Doctor's - Research/Scholarship;
Distance Education Programs: Fully Approved
Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: n/a

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: None

Additional Locations: 171st Air Refueling Wing, Coraopolis, PA; Butler County CC - Cranberry, Cranberry Township, PA; CCAC-Boyce Campus, Monroeville, PA; Concurrent Technologies Corporation, Johnstown, PA; Energy Innovation Center, Pittsburgh, PA (ANYA); Heinz 57 Center, Pittsburgh, PA; Pittsburgh Technical Institute, Pittsburgh, PA; Regional Learning Alliance, Cranberry Woods, PA.

Other Instructional Sites: 911th Airlift Wing, Coraopolis, PA; Chartiers Valley High School, Bridgeville, PA; Hopewell High School, Aliquippa, PA; Montour High School, McKees Rocks, PA; Moon Area High School, Moon Township, PA; Our Lady of the Sacred Heart High School, Coraopolis, PA; Trinity High School, Washington, PA; West Allegheny High School, Imperial, PA.

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1968

Last Reaffirmed: June 28, 2012

Most Recent Commission Action:

May 1, 2017: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at Energy Innovation Center, 1435 Bedford Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. Operations at the additional location must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. To remind the institution of the Commission's request of September 2, 2014 regarding the Periodic Review Report due June 1, 2017.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

- June 28, 2012: To reaffirm accreditation and to commend the institution for the quality of the self-study process and the quality of the self-study report. To request a progress report, due December 1, 2012, documenting the development, dissemination, and implementation of policies and procedures regarding the awarding of credit for prior learning (Standard 13). To further request that the Periodic Review Report, due June 1, 2017, document evidence of the development and implementation of an organized and systematic process for the assessment of general education across the institution (Standard 12).
- March 7, 2013: To accept the progress report. To remind the institution of the request that the Periodic Review Report, due June 1, 2017, document evidence of the development and implementation of an organized and systematic process for the assessment of general education across the institution (Standard 12).
- September 2, 2014: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note that the institution has closed its additional location at Robert Morris University Pittsburgh Center, 600 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. To remove this additional location from the institution's accreditation.
- September 2, 2014: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To approve the reclassification of the instructional sites at (1) Heinz 57 Center, 339 Sixth Avenue, Suite 750, Pittsburgh, PA 15222; and (2) 171st Air Refueling Wing, 300 Tanker Road #4200, Pittsburgh International Airport, Coraopolis, PA 15108 as additional locations and to include the locations within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the request that the Periodic Review Report, due June 1, 2017, document evidence of the development and implementation of an organized and systematic process for the assessment of general education across the institution (Standard 12).

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2021 - 2022

Date Printed: May 2, 2017

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*.