



## MIDDLE STATES COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

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### STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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#### INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

**Enrollment (Headcount):** 1815 Undergraduate ; 115 Graduate  
**Control:** Private (Non-Profit)  
**Affiliation:** Government-State Systems - Inter American University of Puerto Rico  
**2015 Carnegie Classification:** Baccalaureate Colleges - Diverse Fields  
**Approved Degree Levels:** Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma ( $\geq 1$  year,  $< 2$  years), Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's;  
**Distance Education Programs:** Fully Approved  
**Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education:**

#### Instructional Locations

**Branch Campuses:** None

**Additional Locations:** Centro Universitario Inter Humacao, Humacao, PR (ANYA); Orlando Cyber Study Center (OCSC), Orlando, FL (ANYA).

**Other Instructional Sites:** Ciudad Educativa Dr. Roque Díaz Tizol Bo. Playa Sector Ciudad Educativa, Yabucoa, PR.

#### ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

**Status:** Member since 1957

**Last Reaffirmed:** June 27, 2013

**Most Recent Commission Action:**

July 2, 2018: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the reclassification of the other instructional site at Orlando Cyber Study Center (OCSC), 13574 Village Park Drive, Suite 150, Orlando, FL 32873 as an additional location and to provisionally include the location within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the commencement of operations. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations as an 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 March 15, 2018 for a supplemental information report due August 1, 2018. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.

**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. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.

October 19, 2017: To request a supplemental information report due, December 1, 2017, regarding the status of the institution. To note that the substantive change request has been received and will be acted on at the March Commission meeting.

October 30, 2017: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note that the request will be considered by the Commission in conjunction with the Supplemental Information Report due December 1, 2017. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.

March 15, 2018: To accept the Supplemental Information Report. To request a Supplemental Information report, due August 1, 2018, regarding the status of the institution. A small team visit may follow submission of the report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.

April 30, 2018: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include within the scope of the institution's accreditation the relocation of the additional location from Ryder's Hospital Nursing Program, Humacao, PR 00791 to Centro Universitario Inter Humacao, Calle Noya y Hernandez, Esq. Mas Ferrer Berrios, Humacao, PR 00791 and to include provisionally the new location pending a site visit within six months of commencing operations. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at the new location and the closure of the old 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 March 15, 2018 for a supplemental information report due August 1, 2018. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.

**Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2022 - 2023**

**Date Printed: July 3, 2018**

## **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*.