



Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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January 5, 2016

Dr. Obed Jimenez
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Dear Dr. Jimenez:

At its session on January 4, 2016, the Executive Committee for Substantive Change of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note the institution's decision to close the additional location at Academia Adventista Metropolitana, Calle Julio Andino#501, Urb. Villa Prades, Rio Piedras, PR 00929 and to remove this additional location from the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the Commission's request of June 25, 2015 for a monitoring report due September 1, 2016. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.

This action is a substantive change action. An explanation of this type of action is provided in the Commission's policy *Accreditation Actions*, which is available on the Commission's website.

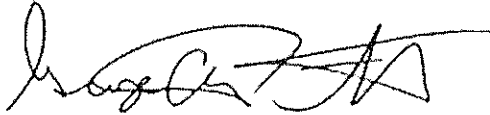
Enclosed is a copy of the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) for your review. If any of the factual information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

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.

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Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Universidad Adventista de las Antillas. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Tito Guerrero, Vice President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George A. Pruitt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

George A. Pruitt, Ph.D.
Chair

c: Prof. Carmen Luz Berrios Rivera, Executive Director, Puerto Rico Council on Higher Education



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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Enrollment (Headcount): 1249 Undergraduate; 111 Graduate

Control: Private (Non-Profit)

Affiliation: Religious- Seventh Day Adventist

Carnegie Classification: Baccalaureate - Diverse Fields

Approved Degree Levels: Associate's, Bachelor's, Postbaccalaureate
Award/Cert/Diploma, Master's;

Distance Education Programs: Fully Approved

Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc.

Other Accreditors: Adventist Accreditation Association

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: None

Additional Locations: None

Other Instructional Sites: None

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1978

Last Reaffirmed: June 27, 2013

Most Recent Commission Action:

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Adventista Metropolitana, Calle Julio Andino#501, Urb. Villa Prades, Rio Piedras, PR 00929 and to remove this additional location from the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the Commission's request of June 25, 2015 for a monitoring report due September 1, 2016. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

- June 27, 2013: To reaffirm accreditation. To request a monitoring report, due April 1, 2015, documenting (1) continued development of strategies to measure and assess the level of, and efficient utilization of, institutional resources required to support the institution's mission and goals (Standard 3); (2) a sufficient number of qualified professionals to supervise and provide the student support services and programs to address the needs of a growing, diverse student population (Standard 9); and (3) further progress in the implementation of an organized and sustainable student learning assessment process that includes direct evidence of student learning, with evidence that results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.
- June 25, 2015: To accept the monitoring report. To request a monitoring report, due September 1, 2016, documenting further evidence of a comprehensive, organized, and sustained assessment process that assesses the achievement of student learning outcomes in all academic programs and uses multiple measures of sufficient quality to provide direct evidence of student achievement of key institutional and program learning outcomes (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2022 - 2023

Next Periodic Review Report: 2018

Date Printed: January 5, 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*.