



Tuesday, November 22, 2016

Dear School Owner and Interested Party:

The Board of Commissioners of the National Accrediting Commission of Career Arts & Sciences, Inc. (NACCAS), at its November 16, 2016 meeting, acting pursuant to Section 10.3(b) of NACCAS' Rules of Practice and Procedure (the "Rules"), adopted amendments to Sections 1.2 and 3.9 of NACCAS' Rules by emergency action, effective immediately. Accordingly, these amendments went into effect on November 16, 2016.

The changes to Sections 1.2 and 3.9 adopted by emergency action appear below. Deleted language is overstruck (~~overstruck~~) and new or moved language is in **bold, underlined** text.

Section 1.2 Institutional General Eligibility Requirements

(d) Exceptions to the "two years in operation" and general eligibility requirements:

(1) An applicant for candidate status does not need to meet the "two years in operation" requirement.

(2) An institution need not comply with the candidate status requirement if it is owned:

(i) By a person(s) or entity that owns at least 10 % of an institution currently accredited by NACCAS; or

(ii) By a person(s) or entity that has owned at least 10 % of an institution accredited by and in good standing with a recognized accrediting agency within the past 24 months.

~~(3) An institution whose accreditation has been withdrawn by NACCAS (all appeal rights exhausted) or that voluntarily relinquishes accreditation while in withdrawal status may apply for candidate status immediately, but must wait one (1) year before reapplying for accreditation and, subject to the requirements of Section 2.2(a)(iii) (see page 64) of these Rules, shall be treated as a new school for all other purposes.~~

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(4) A school under the same Ownership as one or more accredited schools may apply for accreditation after one full year of operation. The Ownership of the new school must be identical to that of the accredited school.

(5) An applicant for provisional additional location accreditation.

(e) Reapplications for Accreditation.

(1) Except as provided under Section 1.2(e)(2) below, an institution whose accreditation has been withdrawn by NACCAS (all appeal rights exhausted) or that voluntarily relinquishes accreditation while in withdrawal status may apply for candidate status immediately, but must wait one (1) year before reapplying for accreditation (either as a main campus or as an additional location of an accredited main) and, subject to the requirements of Section 2.2(a)(iii) of these Rules, shall be treated as a new school for all other purposes.

(2) The one-year waiting period described in Section 1.2(e)(1) above shall not apply if the institution, following its loss or relinquishment of accreditation, undergoes a Change of Control such that, at the time of re-application for accreditation, more than 50% of the Voting Interests of the institution are owned or controlled by persons other than the person who was the Controlling Owner at the time of the institution's loss or relinquishment of accreditation.

Section 3.9 Exit Interview

At the conclusion of a scheduled visit, the team shall hold an exit interview with the school's chief executive officer, manager, and/or any other staff the school's chief executive officer wishes to have present. During this interview, the team shall present the strengths and limitations of the school in relation to each of the NACCAS Standards as described in the Visit Report. ~~The administration of the school shall then have the opportunity to present documentation to support that a limitation should not be cited or to provide evidence that a certain Standard and Criterion is being met by the institution. If the school's documentation is found to be appropriate, the limitation cited will be removed and not included in the Visit Report.~~

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