



**Commission on Colleges  
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools**

**Actions taken by the Commission on Colleges  
June 23, 2005**

At its meeting on June 23, 2005, the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions reviewed. The following list *does not include* the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

**The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:**

Art Institute of Houston, Houston, Texas  
Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences, Memphis, Tennessee  
Bishop State Community College, Mobile, Alabama  
Blinn College, Brenham, Texas  
Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Mississippi  
Blue Ridge Community College, Weyers Cave, Virginia  
Central Alabama Community College, Alexander City, Alabama  
Central Georgia Technical College, Macon, Georgia  
Central Texas College, Killeen, Texas  
Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, Pineville, Kentucky  
Coker College, Hartsville, South Carolina  
Columbus Technical College, Columbus, Georgia  
Copiah-Lincoln Community College, Wesson, Mississippi  
Denmark Technical College, Denmark, South Carolina  
Galveston College, Galveston, Texas  
Guilford Technical Community College, Jamestown, North Carolina  
Judson College, Marion, Alabama  
Lamar Institute of Technology, Beaumont, Texas  
Lamar State College-Orange, Orange, Texas  
Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana  
Magnolia Bible College, Kosciusko, Mississippi  
Manatee Community College, Bradenton, Florida  
Mayland Community College, Spruce Pine, North Carolina  
Miami-Dade College, Miami, Florida  
Midway College, Midway, Kentucky  
North Florida Community College, Madison, Florida  
Northeast Alabama Community College, Rainsville, Alabama  
Roanoke Bible College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina  
Southwest Tennessee Community College, Memphis, Tennessee  
Stanly Community College, Albemarle, North Carolina  
Tallahassee Community College, Tallahassee, Florida  
Texas State Technical College-Harlingen, Harlingen, Texas  
Texas State Technical College-West Texas, Sweetwater, Texas  
Wake Technical Community College, Raleigh, North Carolina  
Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama  
Warren Wilson College, Asheville, North Carolina  
Wilson Technical Community College, Wilson, North Carolina

**The Commission granted initial accreditation to the following institutions:  
(retroactive to January 1, 2005)**

Albany Technical College, Albany, Georgia (*Level I*)  
Middle Georgia Technical College, Warner Robins, Georgia (*Level I*)

**The Commission granted initial candidacy to the following institutions:  
(effective June 23, 2005)**

Southeastern Technical College, Vidalia, Georgia (*Level I*)  
West Georgia Technical College, LaGrange, Georgia (*Level I*)

**The Commission accredited the following member institutions at a more advanced degree level:**

Anderson College, Anderson, South Carolina  
Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Education degree  
Our Lady of the Lake College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Science degree in Physician Assistant, in Anesthesiology, and in Nursing

**The Commission approved the following substantive changes:**

Lee University, Cleveland, Tennessee  
Approval of the Bachelor of Christian Ministries degree offered in Charlotte, North Carolina  
Southeastern University, Lakeland, Florida  
Approval of the Master of Business Administration degree  
University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi  
Approval of the following substantive changes: (1) the Master of Business Administration degree offered at the Stennis Space Center using an Interactive Video Network delivery format; (2) the Master of Science in Hydrographic Science and in Geography with an emphasis in Geographic Information Technology offered at the Stennis Space Center; (3) the Master of Science and the Ph.D. in Coastal Science offered at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory teaching site; (4) the Master of Science in Economic Development with an added executive track using a blended delivery format; and (5) the Ph.D. in International Development offered at the Gulf Park campus using a blended delivery format.

**The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions after review of substantive change:**

ECPI College of Technology, Virginia Beach, Virginia  
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Computer and Information Sciences degree  
Florida Memorial University, Miami, Florida  
Review of the Master of Science in Elementary Education, in Exceptional Child Education, and in Reading K-12  
Milligan College, Milligan College, Tennessee  
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Business Administration degree  
University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, Texas  
Review of the Executive Master of Business Administration degree offered in Beijing, China  
University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida  
Review of off-campus site at Ludwigshafen, Germany, offering the Master of Business Administration degree in cooperation with the Transatlantic Institute of the University of Applied Sciences—Ludwigshafen

**The Commission approved the following consolidation/mergers:**

- Jefferson Community College, Louisville, Kentucky  
Approved the consolidation/merger of Jefferson Technical College with Jefferson Community College to be called Jefferson Community and Technical College
- Lawson State Community College, Birmingham, Alabama  
Approved the consolidation/merger of Lawson State Community College and Bessemer State Technical College to be called T.A. Lawson State Community College

**The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institution after review by a special committee:**

- Haywood Community College, Clyde, North Carolina  
Review of governance issues

**The Commission removed the following institutions from Warning:**

- East Central Community College, Decatur, Mississippi
- Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas

**The Commission removed the following institutions from Probation:**

- Austin Graduate School of Theology, Austin, Texas
- Odessa College, Odessa, Texas
- Wingate University, Wingate, North Carolina

**Special Action**

**The Commission reinstated the accreditation of the following institution, denied reaffirmation of accreditation, and placed it on Warning:**

- Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Florida  
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.12 (Quality Enhancement Plan), and Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (All Educational Programs) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**Sanctions and other Negative Actions**

**The Commission denied accreditation at a more advanced degree level to the following member institutions:**

- Baptist College of Florida, Graceville, Florida  
Denied approval of membership at Level III to offer the Master of Arts in Christian Studies degree for failure to comply with Core Requirements 2.8 (Faculty) and 2.11 (Resources); Comprehensive Standard 3.4.1 (All Educational Programs); and Comprehensive Standards 3.8.1, 3.8.2, and 3.8.3 (Library and Other Learning Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*
- Bryan College, Dayton, Tennessee  
Denied approval of membership at Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration degree for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty) of the *Principles of Accreditation*
- Howard Payne University, Brownwood, Texas  
Denied approval of membership at Level III to offer the Master of Arts in Youth Ministry degree and an Online Distance Learning Program for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standards 3.4.1 (All Educational Programs) and 3.7.1 (Faculty) of the *Principles of Accreditation*

North Greenville College, Tigerville, South Carolina

Denied approval of membership at Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration and the Master of Christian Ministry degree programs for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness) and Comprehensive Standards 3.3.1 (Institutional Effectiveness), 3.7.1 (Faculty), 3.8.1 (Library and Other Learning Resources), and 3.10.7 (Financial and Physical Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*

**The Commission denied reaffirmation of accreditation, continued accreditation, and placed the following institutions on Warning:**

Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, North Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

Collin County Community College District, Plano, Texas

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.12 (Quality Enhancement Plan) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

Lon Morris College, Jacksonville, Texas

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.12 (Quality Enhancement Plan) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

Marion Military Institute, Marion, Alabama

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness) and Core Requirement 2.11 (Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

South College, Knoxville, Tennessee

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.9 (Learning Resources and Services); and Comprehensive Standards 3.7.1 (Faculty); 3.8.1 (Library and Other Learning Resources); 3.8.3 (Library and Other Learning Resources); 3.10.1 (Financial and Physical Resources); and 3.10.2 (Financial and Physical Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Commission placed the following institutions on Warning:**

St. Andrews Presbyterian College, Laurinburg, North Carolina

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11 (Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

Thomas More College, Crestview, Kentucky

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial and Physical Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

**The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institution for good cause, and placed it on Probation:**

Beacon College, Leesburg, Florida

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11 (Resources) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

### **For Information**

Troy University, Troy, Alabama

Effective August 1, 2005, Troy State University Dothan and Troy State University Montgomery will merge/consolidate with Troy University, Troy, to be called Troy University (*approved 12/04 by the Commission*)