



Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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June 22, 2018

Dr. Robert L. Barchi, M.D., Ph.D.
President
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Old Queens Building
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Dear Dr. Barchi:

At its session on June 21, 2018, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To reaffirm accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2026-2027.

This action is an affirming action, as explained in the 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 Commission policy, 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.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Idna M. Corbett, Vice President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary L. Wirt', written in a cursive style.

Gary L. Wirt, Ed.D.
Chair



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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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Dr. Robert L. Barchi, M.D., Ph.D., President

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

**Enrollment
(Headcount):** 49359 Undergraduate ; 19583 Graduate

Control: Public

Affiliation: Government-State - N/A

**2015 Carnegie
Classification:** Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity

**Approved Degree
Levels:** Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (≥ 1 year, < 2 years), Associate's, Bachelor's, Postbaccalaureate Award/Cert/Diploma, Master's, Post-Master's Award/Cert/Diploma, Doctor's - Professional Practice, Doctor's - Research/Scholarship;

**Distance
Education
Programs:** Fully Approved

Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education:

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: None

Additional Locations: Albert C. Wagner Youth Correctional Facility, Bordentown, NJ; Atlantic Cape Community College, Atlantic City, NJ; Atlantic Cape Community College, Mays Landing, NJ; Camden Campus, Camden, NJ; Camden County Boathouse, Pennsauken, NJ; Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ; CCM, Headquarters Plaza, Morristown, NJ; Center for Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR; Central University of Finance and Economics, 39 South College Road, China; County College of Morris, Randolph, NJ; Crowne Plaza Princeton - Conference Center, Plainsboro, NJ; Dalian University of Technology, International Conference Center, Dalian, China; East Jersey State Prison, Rahway, NJ; Edna

Mahan Correctional Facility for Women, Clinton, NJ; Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ; Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Yardville, NJ; Harborside Financial Center, Jersey City, NJ; Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, Lakehurst, NJ; Marymount Manhattan College, New York, NY; Mercer County Community College, West Windsor, NJ; National Library of Singapore, 100 Victoria Street, Singapore; Neptune Township School District, Neptune, NJ; Newark Campus, Newark, NJ; Newark City Hall, Newark, NJ; Northern State Prison, Newark, NJ; PHH Training Center, Mount Laurel, NJ; Plaza Business Centre, Shanghai, China; Plaza Conference Centre, Beijing, China; Raritan Valley Community College, North Branch, NJ; Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ; Rowan College at Burlington County, Mount Laurel, NJ; Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, Newark, NJ; Rutgers University - Newark Institute at NENU, Northeast Normal University, China; Scotch Plains, Scotch Plains, NJ; Sheraton Atlantic City Convention Center Hotel, Atlantic City, NJ; Stratford, Stratford, NJ; Western Monmouth Higher Education Center, Freehold, NJ.

Other Instructional Sites: Bartle Elementary School, Highland Park, NJ; Camden County College, Cherry Hill, NJ; Cape May Technical School Practical Nursing, Cape May Court House, NJ; Centenary College Equestrian Center, Long Valley, NJ; Conerly Road School, Somerset, NJ; Drew University, Madison, NJ; Greater New Brunswick Charter School, New Brunswick, NJ; McNair High School, Jersey City, NJ; Monmouth County Vocational School District, Long Branch, NJ; New Brunswick Free Public Library, New Brunswick, NJ; Octagon 10 Office Center, Parsippany, NJ; Passaic County Technical Institute, Wayne, NJ; Picatinny, Dover, NJ; Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ; The College of New Jersey, Ewing, NJ; Wynona's House, Newark, NJ.

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1921

Last Reaffirmed: June 21, 2018

Most Recent Commission Action:

June 21, 2018: To reaffirm accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2026-2027.

Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

November 21, 2013: To accept the Periodic Review Report and to reaffirm accreditation. To remind the institution of a monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to

equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

November 21, 2013: To accept the supplemental information report. To note that the Periodic Review Report, due June 1, 2013, has been received and will be acted on by the Commission at its meeting in November. To remind the institution of the monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow.

April 28, 2014: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at the Center for Puerto Rico, Urb. Santa Rita, 1012 Gonzalez Street, San Juan, PR 00925 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. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. To remind the institution of a monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); and (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements

(Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

June 30, 2014:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the additional locations at (1) Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550 and (2) Marymount Manhattan College, 221 East 71st Street, New York, NY 10021 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this/these additional locations. In the event that operations at the additional locations do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. To remind the institution of the monitoring report, due December 1, 2014, documenting evidence of (1) the completion and implementation of debt refinancing plans, including the financing of University Hospital debt (Standard 3); (2) State funding of University Hospital to ensure the integrity of the clinical and educational programs held there (Standard 3); (3) five-year financial forecasts related to a new strategic plan and including costs of IT integration (Standards 2 and 3); (4) the development and implementation of a long-term strategy for capital reinvestment to address critical deferred maintenance needs related to equipment and facilities transferred from UMDNJ to Rutgers (Standards 2 and 3); (5) further development and implementation of new governance structures (Standard 4); and (6) the alignment of policies and procedures for faculty and staff, including those subject to negotiated agreements (Standards 4, 5 and 6). A small team visit will follow. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

April 27, 2015:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at County College of Morris, 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph, New Jersey 07869. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The December 1, 2014 monitoring report and small team visit will be acted at the June Commission meeting. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

June 25, 2015:

To accept the monitoring report and to note the visit by the Commission's representatives. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

August 31, 2015:

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at Rutgers University - Newark Institute at NENU, Northeast Normal University, 5268 Renmin Street, Changchun, Jilin Province, People's Republic of China 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. In the event that operations at the additional location do not

commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

November 2, 2015: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional locations at (1) Albert C. Wagner Youth Correctional Facility, 500 Ward Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505; (2) Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women, 30 County Route 513, Clinton, NJ 08809; (3) East Jersey State Prison, 1100 Woodbridge Road, Rahway, NJ 07065; (4) Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Highbridge Road, Yardville, NJ 08620; and (5) Northern State Prison, 168 Frontage Road, Newark, NJ 07114 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at these additional locations. In the event that operations at the additional locations do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

June 27, 2016: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To approve the reclassification of the instructional sites at (1) Camden County College, College Drive, Blackwood, NJ 08012; and (2) Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, 3829 School House Road, Lakehurst, NJ 08641 as additional locations and to include the locations within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2017-2018.

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2026 - 2027

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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*.