

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

MEETING BOOKLET

Time: 1:00 PM
March 27, 2019

Place: Maryland Higher Education Commission
6 N. Liberty St., 10th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21201

Maryland Higher Education Commission

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Maryland Higher Education Commission Meeting Agenda

TIME: 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday
March 27, 2019

PLACE: Maryland Higher Education Commission
6 N. Liberty Street, 7th Floor Board Room
Baltimore, MD 21201

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For Inclusion in the Open Session Minutes of the Commission's January 23, 2019 Meeting:

Closed Session Minutes:

On January 23, 2019, during a regular meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the 7th Floor Board Room of 6 North Liberty Street, Baltimore, Maryland, the Maryland Higher Education Commission voted to move into closed session. The closed session was held in a conference room adjoining the Board Room. The purpose of the closed session was to review the Secretary's recommendation against a program proposal under COMAR 13B.02.03.28. The proposed program was a Technical Master in Business Administration (TMBA) in Construction Science and Management by Capitol Technology University (CTU).

The Commission members who voted in favor of meeting in closed session were: Anwer Hasan, Vivian Boyd, Ian MacFarlane, Donna Mitchell, Joel Packer, Vera Jackson, and Rizwan Siddiqi. Commissioners not in attendance were: Sandra Jimenez, John Holaday, Russell Kelley, Giavanna Tserkis, and John Yaeger.

The statutory authorities for closing the session were §§ 3-305 and 3-103 of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Specifically, the session was closed under § 3-103(a) to carry out the administrative function of reviewing a program proposal pursuant to Title 11 of the Education Article, Annotated Code of Maryland; and under § 3-305(b)(7) to obtain the legal advice of counsel regarding program review.

The topic of discussion at the closed session was the review the Secretary's recommendation against CTU's TMBA proposal under COMAR 13B.02.03.28. The persons present were: Commissioners Anwer Hasan, Vivian Boyd, Ian MacFarlane, Donna Mitchell, Joel Packer, Vera Jackson, and Rizwan Siddiqi; and Assistant Attorney General Christine Wellons. The action taken during closed session was to uphold the Secretary's recommendation against the program.

Maryland Higher Education Commission
Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2019
2:00 p.m.

The Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) met on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 via conference call.

Commission members present:

Anwer Hasan, Chairman	Joel Packer
Vivian S. Boyd	Giavanna Tserkis
John Holaday	John W. Yaeger
Ian MacFarlane	

Commission members not present:

Sandra L. Jimenez, Vice-Chair	Donna M. Mitchell
Vera R. Jackson	Rizwan A. Siddiqi

Staff members present:

Dr. James D. Fielder, Jr.	Donna Thomas
Dr. Emily Dow	Rhonda Wardlaw
Patricia Francis	Christine Wellons

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by **Chairman Hasan** at approximately 2:00 P.M. A meeting quorum was established with seven of the eleven members present.

Chairman Hasan's Remarks

Chairman Hasan thanked everyone for adjusting their schedules in order to make this meeting, since we had some items on the agenda from the January meeting that we did not cover.

Secretary Fielder's Remarks

Chairman Hasan recognized **Secretary Fielder** for remarks. The Secretary thanked Chairman Hasan and Commissioner MacFarlane for testifying at recent budget hearings in Annapolis, which went very smoothly.

Secretary Fielder also informed everyone that Commissioner Kelley had resigned his position due to health issues. If anyone has nominations for potential Commissioners, they should let him know.

Approval of Minutes – Action Items

There was a motion by **Commissioner MacFarlane** and a second by **Commissioner Yaeger** for approval of the October 24, 2018 closed session minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was a motion by **Commissioner MacFarlane** and a second by **Commissioner Packer** for approval of the November 28, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was a motion by **Commissioner Yaeger** and a second by **Commissioner Packer** for approval of the November 28, 2018 closed session minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was a motion by **Commissioner Holaday** and a second by **Commissioner Packer** for approval of the January 23, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

Office of Student Financial Assistance – Final Adoption of Regulations – Educational Excellence Awards – Action Item

Chairman Hasan recognized Ms. Donna Thomas. Ms. Thomas reported that the Commission approved for publication the proposed regulations for public comment at the September 26, 2018 meeting. The public comment period closed on November 26, 2018. No public comments were received. It is recommended that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations for the Delegate Howard P. Rawlings Program of Educational Excellence Awards (EEA).

Commissioner Packer motioned that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations. **Commissioner Yaeger** seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Office of Student Financial Assistance – Final Adoption of Regulations – Cybersecurity Public Service Scholarship Program – Action Item

Chairman Hasan recognized Ms. Donna Thomas. Ms. Thomas reported that the Commission approved for publication the proposed regulations for public comment at the September 26, 2018 meeting. The public comment period closed on November 26, 2018. No public comments were received. It is recommended that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations for the Cybersecurity Public Service Scholarship Program.

Commissioner Boyd motioned that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations. **Commissioner Packer** seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Office of Student Financial Assistance – Final Adoption of Regulations – Promise Scholarship – Action Item

Chairman Hasan recognized Ms. Donna Thomas. Ms. Thomas reported that the Commission approved for publication the proposed regulations for public comment at the October 24, 2018 meeting. The public comment period closed on December 21, 2018. There were comments and questions received, particularly regarding the eligibility of homeschoolers. Ms. Thomas stated that MHEC makes it clear on its website and other outreach materials how homeschoolers can qualify. It is recommended that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations for the Promise Scholarship.

Commissioner MacFarlane motioned that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations. **Commissioner Tserkis** seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Department of Academic Affairs – Final Adoption of Regulations – Regional Higher Education Centers – Action Item

Chairman Hasan recognized Dr. Emily Dow. Dr. Dow reported that the Commission approved for publication the proposed regulations for public comment at the October 24, 2018 meeting. The regulations were published in the Maryland Register on November 26, 2018. The public comment period closed on December 21, 2018, and there were no public comments received. It is recommended that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations for Regional Higher Education Centers.

Commissioner Boyd motioned that the Commission approve for final adoption the proposed regulations. **Commissioner Yaeger** seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:20 P.M.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 27, 2019

TO: Maryland Higher Education Commissioners

FROM: Donna Thomas, Director, and Office of Student Financial Assistance

SUBJECT: Proposed Approval of COMAR Program Regulations–
Richard W. Collins III Leadership with Honor’s Scholarship

The purpose of this memorandum is to request approval to publish proposed regulations for the Richard W. Collins III Leadership with Honor’s Scholarship.

In 2018, the General Assembly enacted legislation (2018, ch. 597) to create a scholarship program to further the State’s compelling interests in educating diverse student bodies and in achieving diversity in ROTC programs.

A student is eligible to apply for the scholarship if:

- enrolled full-time at an eligible institution;
- is a member of a ROTC program;
- has been identified by the institution as a minority student or a student who is a member of another group historically underrepresented in Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) programs;
- has been determined to be eligible for in-State tuition by the institution; and
- timely files an application and any required supporting documentation with the Office.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Commission approve for publication in the Maryland Register the enclosed proposed regulations dated March 27, 2019 for the Richard W. Collins III Leadership with Honor’s Scholarship, and authorize MHEC’s attorneys to approve non-substantive revisions as necessary to conform the proposed regulations to the stylistic and formatting requirements of AELR and of the Division of State Documents.

Title 13B MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

Subtitle 08 FINANCIAL AID

Chapter 21 Richard W. Collins III Leadership With Honor Scholarship

Authority: Education Article, §§11-105(u), 18-204(c), 18-605(e), Annotated Code of Maryland

.01 Program Established.

A. There is a Richard W. Collins III Leadership With Honor Scholarship Program, which is administered by the Office pursuant to Education Article, § 18-605, Annotated Code of Maryland.

B. A purpose of the program is to further the State's compelling interests in educating diverse student bodies and in achieving diversity in ROTC programs.

.02 Definitions.

A. In this chapter, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

B. Terms Defined.

(1) "Commission" means the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

(2) "Director" means the executive director of the Office.

(3) "Education expenses" mean:

(a) Tuition;

(b) Mandatory fees; and

(c) Costs of room and board.

(4) "Eligible institution" means Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University, or University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

(5) "Full-time" means enrollment in at least 12 credits per semester at an eligible institution.

(6) "Minority student or a student who is a member of another group historically underrepresented in Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) programs" means a student:

(a) Designated by the institution, based upon the institution's holistic review of the applicant, as a student who contributes to diversity within ROTC programs; and

(b) May include a student of any race, ethnicity, disability, national origin, religion, gender, orientation, identity, or geographic representation.

(7) "Office" means the Office of Student Financial Assistance within the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

(8) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Higher Education.

(9) "Scholarship" means a Richard W. Collins III Scholarship under this chapter.

.03 Student Eligibility.

A. Subject to the State budget, the Office annually shall determine a student's eligibility to receive a scholarship.

B. An applicant is eligible for a scholarship if the applicant:

(1) Is enrolled full-time at an eligible institution;

(2) Is a member of a ROTC program;

(3) Has been identified by the institution as a minority student or a student who is a member of another group historically underrepresented in Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) programs;

(4) Has been determined to be eligible for in-State tuition by the institution; and

(5) Timely files an application and any required supporting documentation with the Office.

.04 Application Process.

A. A student shall apply annually to the Office to be eligible for a scholarship.

B. Form of Application.

(a) An applicant shall apply and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by July 15; or

(b) If the applicant is ineligible to submit a FAFSA, but qualifies for in-State tuition under Education Article, Title 15, Annotated Code, the applicant shall timely submit the Maryland State Financial Aid Application (MSFAA).

C. A student shall submit documentation to the Office confirming that the student is a member of a ROTC program.

D. A student shall submit to the Office an institutional certification form, completed by the applicant's institution, by a deadline established by the Office, confirming that the applicant is a minority student or a student who is a member of another group historically underrepresented in ROTC programs.

E. Time of Submission. An application and FAFSA or MSFAA received by the Office after July 15 is untimely and may not be considered.

F. If the Office requests additional information from the applicant in order to determine the applicant's eligibility:

(1) The Office shall notify the applicant of the deadline to submit such information;

- (2) The applicant shall submit the information by the deadline established by the Office; and
- (3) Information received by the Office after the deadline may not be considered.

G. For the 2019-2020 award year only, the application and FAFSA or MSFAA shall be submitted by the deadline established by the Office.

.05 Scholarship Renewal.

A. Subject to regulation .06, an applicant shall be eligible to renew a scholarship for a subsequent year if the applicant:

- (1) Timely submits an application under regulation .04;
- (2) Continues to meet the requirements of regulation .03; and
- (3) Continues to maintain the satisfactory academic progress standards as defined by the institution.

B. A recipient may receive a scholarship for a maximum of 3 renewal years.

.06 Amount of Scholarship.

A. An annual scholarship award shall be in the amount prescribed by the Director, which shall not exceed the recipient's education expenses.

B. The minimum scholarship award amount shall not be less than \$500 per semester and \$1,000 for the academic year.

.07 Selection of Recipients.

A. Priority of Scholarship Awards. The Office shall:

- (1) Give priority to awarding scholarships to applicants with the greatest financial need;
- (2) Award 25% of its total annual scholarship budget to students of Bowie State University; and
- (3) Award 75% of its total annual scholarship budget to students of other eligible institutions.

B. An applicant's financial need shall be based on the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reported on the FAFSA or MSFAA.

C. An applicant's ranking shall be based on greatest financial need starting with the lowest EFC.

D. Priority for scholarships in the subsequent years shall be given to prior year recipients who remain eligible under this chapter.

.08 Award Notification and Acceptance.

A. Recipients shall be notified by the Office through the Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS) of the awards.

B. A recipient shall log-on to MDCAPS in order to accept an award, except that, in extenuating circumstances as determined by the Director of OSFA, a student may accept an award by providing written acceptance to the Office.

.09 Payment of Awards.

A. The Office shall make an award payment to the institution for each semester that the eligible recipient is granted the award.

B. The institution shall certify to the Office, and request payment for all recipients, on a semester basis, on or before:

- (1) December 15, for the fall semester; and
- (2) May 15, for the spring semester.

C. An institution that fails to certify and request payment for all recipients on a semester basis under §B may not certify recipients for the subsequent semester.



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DATE: March 20, 2019
TO: Maryland Higher Education Commission
FROM: Barbara Schmertz
SUBJECT: 2018 Performance Accountability Report

Maryland's public colleges and universities' 2018 Performance Accountability Report (PAR) benchmarks, indicators, performance measures, and narrative reports reflect their progress toward helping to achieve the goals of the 2017-2021 State Plan for Postsecondary Education: *Student Success with Less Debt*. The three State Plan goals are access, success, and innovation. Institutions identified indicators and benchmarks that reflected their mission and goals and aligned them within the State plan's goals and strategies.

Maryland's public colleges and universities have faced notable changes to their student enrollment over the past decade. First, the overall surge in enrollments across all public institutions in 2011 and 2012 has decreased; enrollment at the community colleges (both credit and non-credit) has stabilized, and the public four-year institutions are seeing their highest undergraduate enrollments on record. All institutions have seen increases in the diversity of their students (e.g., by age, race/ethnicity). These changes require institutions to continue to be more agile and flexible in the ways they recruit, retain, support, and graduate their students.

It is within the context of these enrollment shifts and increases in the diversification on college campuses that institutions are working towards the State's higher education goals, as these enrollment trends have a direct effect on their ability to successfully help the state achieve the goals set forth in the Plan.

Efforts by the colleges and universities to increase access to quality postsecondary education for Maryland residents are tied to several key areas: increasing enrollments, easing pathways to higher education, and maintaining affordability. Community colleges' efforts include strengthening dual enrollment and workforce education programs; public four-year institutions continue to focus on facilitating transfer and growing their distance education programs. Finding solutions to rising college prices and increased costs is a responsibility that the state and the institutions share.

Institutions are committed to maintaining and improving retention and academic progress outcomes for all students, with a focus on the long-term goal of improving overall student success. Steps taken to help support the state's success goals include enhancing academic advising and using data analytics and other technological tools to assess students' needs and address issues before they put the student at risk of departure.

The retention and completion outcomes for the community colleges and the public four-year institutions are generally positive. The institutions' efforts to address student retention have a carryover effect in helping students persist to completion. While institutions should be encouraged that the long-term trends are an indicator that their efforts are making a difference, ongoing focus on the intractable issues tied to the achievement gaps must continue.

Institutions' efforts to foster innovation in research, meeting workforce needs, and teaching and learning are ongoing. What is evident from the institutional PAR reports is that their approaches to innovation take a variety of forms and are tailored to their mission and institutional goals.

In the coming year, the Commission staff will continue to use statewide data to help answer questions tied to affordability, student success, degree completion, and workforce needs. In addition, there will be continued discourse with institutions around issues tied to equity and achievement gaps among student populations.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Maryland Higher Education Commission approve the 2018 Performance Accountability Report and ask the Secretary to forward it to the Governor and the General Assembly as required by law.



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Anwer Hasan
Chairman

James D. Fielder, Jr., Ph.D.
Secretary of Higher Education

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 25, 2019

TO: Maryland Higher Education Commission

FROM: Dr. Emily A. A. Dow, Assistant Secretary

STAFF: Dr. Michael Kiphart
Jacqueline Cade

SUBJECT: Request by Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez for Name Changes of its three institutions operating in Maryland

Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez, a university system located in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico with three out-of-state institutions operating in Maryland, has submitted a request and fees (\$750 @ \$250 per institution) to the Maryland Higher Education Commission to change its institutional names as indicated below:

- Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez- Universidad Metropolitana to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Cupey Campus**
- Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez- Universidad del Este to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Carolina Campus**
- Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez- Universidad del Turabo to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Gurabo Campus**

Each university is a private, non-profit institution of the Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez located in Puerto Rico, and holds regional accreditation from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE). MSCHE and the Puerto Rico Council on Education, the state approving agency, have approved the name change for each institution (attached as indicated below). The Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez institutions are currently authorized to operate in Maryland with extended approval at the approved site located at located at 11006 Veirs Mill Rd., Suite L-1, in Wheaton, MD:

Universidad Metropolitana (*Attachment 1*) – Approved through August 31, 2021

Universidad del Este (*Attachment 2*) – Approved through August 31, 2021

Universidad del Turabo (*Attachment 3*) – Approved through August 31, 2022

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Maryland Higher Education Commission approve Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez's request for the institutional name changes from:

- ❖ Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez - Universidad Metropolitana to Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Cupey Campus
- ❖ Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez - Universidad del Este to Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Carolina Campus
- ❖ Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez -Universidad del Turabo to Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Gurabo Campus

Attachment 1

**Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez-
Universidad Metropolitana**

to

**Universidad Ana G. Méndez –
Cupey Campus**

January 8, 2019

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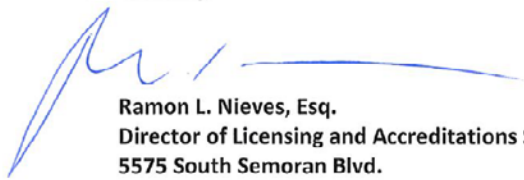
Dear Dr. Fielder:

On October 3, 2018, Middle State Commission of Higher Education (MSCHE) authorize changing the name of **Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez- Universidad Metropolitana** to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez-Cupey Campus**. This name change is part of the long-term institution plan to integrate our three institutions in Puerto Rico and the United States.

As shown in the included letter of approval from MSCHE the effective date of the name change will be January 1, 2019.

We respectfully ask MHEC to evaluate our petition to change our name and accept the official name change in Maryland. As soon as we received your approval, we will proceed with the administrative steps to implement the change in our Maryland Campus.
If you need additional information, please advice.

Cordially,



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Consejo de Educación de Puerto Rico

Certificación Número 2018-476

Yo, Edward Moreno Alonso, Presidente del Consejo de Educación de Puerto Rico,
CERTIFICO: -----

Que el Consejo de Educación de Puerto Rico, mediante referéndum del 18 de diciembre de 2018, de conformidad con la autoridad que le confiere el Plan de Reorganización Núm. 1 de 26 de julio de 2010, según enmendado, aprobó la Enmienda a la Licencia de Renovación de la **Universidad Metropolitana** para el cambio de nombre de la institución. El nuevo nombre aprobado es **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Recinto de Cupey**.

Esta certificación se emite al amparo de la Sección 28.3 del Reglamento para el Licenciamiento de Instituciones de Educación Superior en Puerto Rico, Núm. 8265 de 2012.

Y para que así conste, expido la presente Certificación en San Juan, Puerto Rico, hoy día 20 de diciembre de 2018.

Edward Moreno Alonso, Ed. D.
Presidente



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Puerto Rico Council on Education

Certification Number 2018-476
English Version

I, Edward Moreno-Alonso, President of the Puerto Rico Council of Education, hereby
CERTIFY: -----

That the Puerto Rico Council on Education, by referendum of December 18, 2018, pursuant the authority conferred by the Reorganization Plan Number 1, of July 26, 2010 as amended, approved the Amendment to the Renewal License of **Universidad Metropolitana** for the change of name of the institution. The new name approved is **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Cupey Campus**.

This certification is issued according to Section 28.3 of the *Regulations for the Licensing of Higher Education Institutions in Puerto Rico*, No. 8265 of 2012.

And for the witness therefore, I issue this certification in San Juan, Puerto Rico today December 20, 2018.

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October 3, 2018

Dr. Carlos A. Padín, Chancellor
SUAGM Universidad Metropolitana
P.O. Box 21150
San Juan PR 00928-1150

Dear Chancellor Padín,

This letter is in response to your request for formal acknowledgement from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education that we have been informed of the recent developments at Sistema Universitario Ana G. Méndez Universidad Metropolitana.

On September 24, 2018, the MSCHE was notified via letter that Sistema Universitario Ana G. Méndez Universidad Metropolitana intends to officially change its name to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez – Cupey Campus**, effective January 1, 2019. As of that date, the name change will be reflected on the MSCHE website and all correspondence regarding the institution.

Please let me know if I may be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ellie A. Fogarty'.

Ellie A. Fogarty, Ed.D.
Vice President

EAF/deb

c: Lina M. Vega Pérez, Associate Vice-chancellor for Licensing and Accreditation

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education accredits institutions of higher education in Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and other locations abroad.

Attachment 2

**Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez-
Universidad del Este**

to

**Universidad Ana G. Méndez –
Carolina Campus**

January 8, 2019

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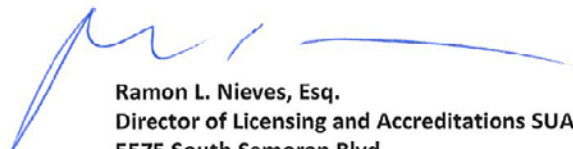
Dear Dr. Fielder:

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October 3, 2018

Dr. Mildred Huertas-Solá, Chancellor
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Please let me know if I may be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Ellie A. Fogarty, Ed.D.
Vice President

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c: Dr. Claribette Rodríguez Rivera, Associate Vicechancellor for Licensing and Accreditation

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Attachment 3

**Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez-
Universidad del Turabo**

to

Universidad Ana G. Méndez –

Gurabo Campus

January 8, 2019

James D. Fielder, Jr. PH.D.
Secretary
Maryland Higher Education Commission
6 N. Liberty Street
10th Floor
Baltimore, MD. 21201
james.fielder@maryland.gov

Dear Dr. Fielder:

On October 3, 2018, Middle State Commission of Higher Education (MSCHE) authorize changing the name of **Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez- Universidad del Turabo** to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez- Gurabo Campus**. This name change is part of the long-term institution plan to integrate our three institutions in Puerto Rico and the United States.

As shown in the included letter of approval from MSCHE the effective date of the name change will be January 1, 2019.

We respectfully ask MHEC to evaluate our petition to change our name and accept the official name change in Maryland. As soon as we received your approval, we will proceed with the administrative steps to implement the change in our Maryland Campus.
If you need additional information, please advice.

Cordially,



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Consejo de Educación de Puerto Rico

Certificación Número 2018-483

Yo, Edward Moreno Alonso, Presidente del Consejo de Educación de Puerto Rico,
CERTIFICO:-----

Que el Consejo de Educación de Puerto Rico, mediante referéndum del 18 de diciembre de 2018, de conformidad con la autoridad que le confiere el Plan de Reorganización Núm. 1 de 26 de julio de 2010, según enmendado, aprobó la Enmienda a la Licencia de Renovación de la **Universidad del Turabo** para el cambio de nombre de la Institución. El nuevo nombre aprobado es **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Recinto de Gurabo**.

Esta certificación se emite al amparo de la Sección 28.3 del *Reglamento para el Licenciamiento de Instituciones de Educación Superior en Puerto Rico*, Núm. 8265 de 2012.

Y para que así conste, expido la presente Certificación en San Juan, Puerto Rico, hoy día 20 de diciembre de 2018.

Edward Moreno-Alonso, Ed. D.
Presidente



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Puerto Rico Council on Education

Certification Number 2018-483
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I, Edward Moreno-Alonso, President of the Puerto Rico Council of Education, hereby CERTIFY: -----

That the Puerto Rico Council on Education, by referendum of December 18, 2018, pursuant the authority conferred by the Reorganization Plan Number 1, of July 26, 2010, as amended, approved the Amendment to the Renewal License of **Universidad del Turabo** for the change of name of the institution. The new name approved is **Universidad Ana G. Méndez - Gurabo Campus**.

This certification is issued according to Section 28.3 of the *Regulations for the Licensing of Higher Education Institutions in Puerto Rico*, No. 8265 of 2012.

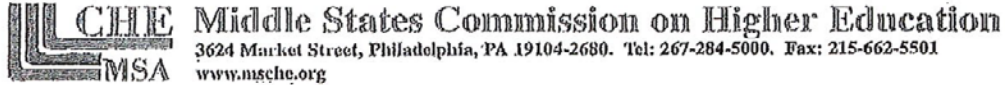
And for the witness therefore, I issue this certification in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today December 20, 2018.

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President



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October 3, 2018

Dr. E. David Méndez, Chancellor
SUAGM Universidad del Turabo
P.O. Box 3030
Gurabo, PR 00778

Dear Chancellor Méndez,

This letter is in response to your request for formal acknowledgement from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education that we have been informed of the recent developments at Sistema Universitario Ana G. Méndez Universidad del Turabo.

On September 25, 2018, the MSCHE was notified via letter that Sistema Universitario Ana G. Méndez Universidad del Turabo intends to officially change its name to **Universidad Ana G. Méndez – Gurabo Campus**, effective January 1, 2019. As of that date, the name change will be reflected on the MSCHE website and all correspondence regarding the institution.

Please let me know if I may be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,



Ellie A. Fogarty, Ed.D.
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c: Keila Roche León, Assistant Vicechancellor for Licensing and Accreditation

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2019

TO: Commissioners, Maryland Higher Education Commission

FROM: Dr. Emily A. A. Dow, Assistant Secretary for Academic Affairs

STAFF: Ashley Wallace and Angela Carroll
Education Analysts, Career and Workforce Education

SUBJECT: Report on Private Career Schools: Secretary Actions for Quarter 2 (April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018)

From April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018, the Secretary of Higher Education approved 3 new schools, 3 Approvals of Change of Location, 10 certificate renewals, and 2 School Approvals Withdrawn.

I. APPROVAL OF NEW SCHOOLS

1. AMC Career Institute, (4/24/2018), Program: CNA/GNA – 120 clock hours.
2. Institute of Epidermal Sciences, LLC, d/b/a The Institute of Epidermal Sciences (5/30/2018), Program: Professional Esthetician Program – 600 clock hours.
3. PCL, LLC, d/b/a Maryland Real Estate Career Institute (6/4/2018), Program: Principles and Practices of Real Estate for Salespersons - 60 clock hours.

II. NEW PROGRAMS REVIEWED AND APPROVED

N/A

III. APPROVAL OF CHANGES OF LOCATION

1. Real Estate Education Center, LLC, 1425 Clarkview Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21209 (4/2/2018) Moved from 53 W. Aylesbury Road, Lutherville Timonium Maryland 21093.
2. The Johns Hopkins Hospital, d/b/a The Johns Hopkins Hospital Schools of Medical Imaging, 111 Market Place, Suite 830, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 (6/1/2018) Moved from 8 Market Place, Suite 600 Baltimore, Maryland.
3. Shawntay's School of Creative Nails, 408 South Crain Highway, #5, Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 (6/20/2018) Moved from 31 Allegheny Ave, Towson, Maryland, 21204.

IV. APPROVAL OF NAME CHANGE

N/A

V. APPROVAL OF CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

N/A

VI. APPROVAL OF SEPARATE CLASSROOMS

N/A

VII. "OTHER BUSINESS"

N/A

VIII. CERTIFICATE RENEWALS

1. Maryland Beauty Academy of Essex, Inc. (4/1/2018)
2. Cambridge Nursing Assistant Academy (4/2/2018)
3. Real Estate Education Center of Maryland, LLC (4/9/2018)
4. Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics, Inc. (5/21/2018)
5. Don Gurney Academy of Real Estate (6/6/2018)
6. Compassionate Academy, Inc. (6/13/2018)
7. Precise Academy, Corp. (6/13/2018)
8. Long & Foster Real Estate, Inc. (6/18/2018)
9. Empire Beauty School, (6/30/2018)
10. Frederick School of Cosmetology, (7/2/2018)

IX. OTHER ACTIONS

N/A

X. CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS

N/A

XI. NOTICES OF DEFICIENCIES

N/A

XII. PROGRAM APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

N/A

XIII. SCHOOL APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

1. Hair Aesthetics, Inc, d/b/a Aesthetics Institute of Cosmetology, 701 Russell Avenue, Spaces H110 & H103, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877, (6/13/2018).
2. Lili Farm, Inc, d/b/a Authentic Bartending School of Maryland, 4135 Norfolk Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21216, (6/18/2018).



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2019

TO: Commissioners, Maryland Higher Education Commission

FROM: Dr. Emily A. A. Dow, Assistant Secretary for Academic Affairs

STAFF: Ashley Wallace and Angela Carroll
Education Analysts, Career and Workforce Education

SUBJECT: Report on Private Career Schools: Secretary Actions for Quarter 3 (July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018)

From July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018, the Secretary of Higher Education approved 2 new schools and 6 certificate renewals.

I. APPROVAL OF NEW SCHOOLS

1. Metropolitan Real Estate Academy, (7/24/2018), Program: Principles & Practices of Real Estate for Salespersons – 60 clock hours.
2. I'm Still Standing Community Corporation (8/8/2018), Program: Cyber Security – 192 clock hours, Internet of Things – 192 clock hours, Solar Power Installation – 64 clock hours.

II. NEW PROGRAMS REVIEWED AND APPROVED

N/A

III. APPROVAL OF CHANGES OF LOCATION

N/A

IV. APPROVAL OF NAME CHANGE

N/A

V. APPROVAL OF CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

N/A

VI. APPROVAL OF SEPARATE CLASSROOMS

N/A

VII. "OTHER BUSINESS"

N/A

VIII. CERTIFICATE RENEWALS

1. Frederick School of Cosmetology, (7/2/2018)
2. Metropolitan Real Estate Academy, Inc., (7/24/2018)
3. I'm Still Standing Community Corporation, (8/8/2018)
4. Potomac Massage Training Institute, (8/23/2018)
5. Maryland Beauty Academy – Essex, (8/26/2018)
6. Aspen Beauty Academy-Laurel, (9/1/2018)

IX. OTHER ACTIONS

N/A

X. CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS

N/A

XI. NOTICES OF DEFICIENCIES

N/A

XII. PROGRAM APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

N/A

XIII. SCHOOL APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

N/A



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 19, 2019

TO: Commissioners, Maryland Higher Education Commission

FROM: Dr. Emily A. A. Dow, Assistant Secretary for Academic Affairs

STAFF: Ashley Wallace and Angela Carroll
Education Analysts, Career and Workforce Education

SUBJECT: Report on Private Career Schools: Secretary Actions for Quarter 4 (October 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018)

From October 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, the Secretary of Higher Education approved 1 New School, 1 New Program, 2 Approval of Changes of Location, 1 Interim Change of Ownership, 2 Certificate Renewals, and 1 School Approval Withdrawal.

I. APPROVAL OF NEW SCHOOLS

1. New Destiny Health Career Center, (11/14/2018), Program: Certified Phlebotomy Technician – 140 clock hours.

II. NEW PROGRAMS REVIEWED AND APPROVED

1. Fortis Institute – Towson, Program: Esthetics Skincare – 600 clock hours

III. APPROVAL OF CHANGES OF LOCATION

1. Shawntay's School of Creative Nails, 31 Allegheny Avenue, Suite 203, Towson, Maryland 21204 (11/26/2018) Moved from 408 South Crain Highway, #5, Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061.
2. Gandhi Health Career Services, LLC, 1400 Reisterstown Road, Suite B, Pikesville, Maryland 21208 (12/14/2018) Moved from 1726 Reisterstown Road, Suite 200, Pikesville, Maryland 21208.

IV. APPROVAL OF NAME CHANGE

N/A

V. APPROVAL OF CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

1. Baltimore Studio of Hair Design, 318 North Howard Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

VI. APPROVAL OF SEPARATE CLASSROOMS

N/A

VII. "OTHER BUSINESS"

N/A

VIII. CERTIFICATE RENEWALS

1. This school closed on 8/16/2017 and should not have received a certificate of renewal Trinity Nursing Academy, Inc, (10/25/2018)
2. Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Cardiac Sonography, (11/19/2018). This school closed on 11/1/2017 and should not have received a certificate of renewal.

IX. OTHER ACTIONS

N/A

X. CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS

N/A

XI. NOTICES OF DEFICIENCIES

N/A

XII. PROGRAM APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

N/A

XIII. SCHOOL APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

1. Roeder Travel, Ltd., d/b/a Maryland School of Travel, 57 West Timonium Road, Suite, 110 Timonium, Maryland 21093, (11/8/2018).



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2019

TO: Commissioners, Maryland Higher Education Commission

FROM: Dr. Emily A. A. Dow, Assistant Secretary for Academic Affairs

STAFF: Karen King-Sheridan
Associate Director, Collegiate Affairs

SUBJECT: Report on Institutions of Higher Education Program Review: Secretary Actions for Quarter 2 (April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018)

During the current reporting period, the Secretary of Higher Education acted on a total of 106 academic program proposals requiring review under Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.01 and COMAR 13B.02.03, and they are outlined immediately below.

Actions for In-State Institutions (ISI)	Number of Actions	Segment
I. Programs Objected to	1	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
II. New Degree Programs	23	at independent colleges and universities
	3	at public four-year colleges and universities
	5	at public community colleges
III. New Certificate Programs	4	at independent colleges and universities
	11	at public four-year colleges and universities
	4	at public community colleges
IV. New Areas of Concentration	2	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	4	at public community colleges
V. Substantial Modifications to Existing Program	8	at independent colleges and universities
	3	at public four-year colleges and universities
	5	at public community colleges

VI. Non-substantial Modifications to Existing Program	0	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	27	at public community colleges
VII. Withdrawn Proposals	1	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
VIII. Institutional Program Partnerships	1	at independent colleges and universities
	1	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
IX. Proposals Not Approved or Recommended	0	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
Quarter 2 Total Actions by ISI <i>objections not included in this total</i>	102	

X. Actions for Out-of-State Institutions (OOS)	Number of Actions	Segment
Programs Objected to	0	at out-of-state institutions
New Programs	4	
Renewal Programs	0	
Conditionally Authorized Programs	0	
New Areas of Concentration	0	
Suspended	0	
Discontinued	0	
Proposals Withdrawn	0	
Proposals Not Approved/Recommended	0	
Quarter 2 Total Actions by OOS <i>objections not included in this total</i>	4	

Quarter 2 Total Actions by ISI and OOS <i>objections not included in this total</i>	106
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I. PROGRAM OBJECTIONS - 1

Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.03.27B requires the Commission to circulate program proposals for thirty days for comment or objections from in-state institutions.

The Secretary or an institution may file an objection to implementation of a proposed program if the objection is based on:

- a. Inconsistency of the proposed program with the institution’s approved mission;
- b. Not meeting a regional or Statewide need consistent with the State Plan;
- c. Unreasonable program duplication which would cause demonstrable harm to another institution; or
- d. Violation of the State’s equal educational opportunity obligations under State and federal law.

What follows is a summary of all in-state and out-of-state objections the Commission has received to programs submitted for review, upon which the Secretary has issued a decision between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018.

Proposing Institution	Program Proposed	Objecting Institution	Objection Rationale	Action	Rationale for Action	Action Date
Lincoln College of Technology	Culinary Arts & Food Services - Lowed Division Certificate	Anne Arundel Community College	Unreasonable program duplication	Approved	Determined not unreasonably duplicative	06/11/18

II. NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED – 31

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 23

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Capitol Technology University	BS	New program Construction Management and Critical Infrastructure	04/19/18
Capitol Technology University	Doc	New program Unmanned Systems Applications	04/24/18
Goucher College	MA	Education - Master of Ed. (Fully Online)	04/04/18
Goucher College	MS	Higher Education Policy, Research, and Administration (FULLY ONLINE)	05/31/18
Goucher College	MA	Multi-Media Narrative	05/02/18
Johns Hopkins University	MS	Global Health Economics	04/04/18
Lincoln College of Technology	LDC	Culinary Arts & Food Services	06/11/18
Lincoln College of Technology	LDC	International Baking & Pastry	06/11/18
Loyola University Maryland	BS	Data Science	04/04/18
Loyola University Maryland	BA	Physics	04/04/18
Loyola University Maryland	PBC	Health Communication	04/17/18
Loyola University Maryland	BA	Forensic Studies	04/27/18
Maryland University of Integrative Health	PBC	Ayurvedic Wellness Practices	04/27/18
Maryland University of Integrative Health	PBC	Sports Performance and Integrative Nutrition	05/10/18
Maryland University of Integrative Health	MA	Integrative Health Studies (online)	05/31/18
McDaniel College	MS	Disability Support Services in Higher Education	05/07/18
McDaniel College	PBC	Disability Support Services in Higher Education	05/15/18
McDaniel College	MS	Data Analytics	05/07/18
McDaniel College	PBC	Data Analytics	05/15/18
Mount St. Mary's University	PBC	Data Science	04/20/18
Mount St. Mary's University	PBC	Risk Management & Cyber Security for Professionals	04/20/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	MS	Risk Management	06/22/18
Stevenson University	BS	Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics	04/27/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 3

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Frostburg State University	MA	M.A.T. in Teaching Secondary	05/30/18
Morgan State University	BS	Transportation Systems Engineering	05/15/18
Morgan State University	BS	Interior Design	05/16/18

Community Colleges - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Anne Arundel Community College	LDC	Data Literacy	05/30/18
Carroll Community College	AS	Physical Science	04/04/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Histotechnology	04/10/18
Cecil College	AA	Paralegal Studies	06/13/18
Garrett College	AAS	Addictions Counseling	06/13/18

III. NEW CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 19

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Goucher College	PBC	Fact-Based Narrative	04/02/18
Maryland University of Integrative Health	PMC	Nutritional Genomics in Clinical Practice	05/02/18
Maryland University of Integrative Health	PBC	Integrative Health Studies (online)	05/31/18
St. John's College	PBC	Classical Pedagogy	06/13/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 11

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Towson University	PBC	Instructional Design and Development	05/07/18
Towson University	PBC	Teaching English Learners	05/07/18
Towson University	PBC	Community Engagement and Leading School Change	05/07/18
Towson University	PBC	Autism Spectrum Disorder in the Classroom	06/19/18
Towson University	PBC	Foundations in Special Education	06/19/18
Towson University	PBC	Educational Technology	06/19/18
University of Baltimore	PBC	Business Valuation	04/09/18
University of Baltimore	PBC	Govt Financial MGMT at Shady Grove	05/15/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore	PBC	Care Coordination	06/07/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	PBC	Social Dimensions of Health	04/02/18
University of Maryland, College Park	PBC	Financial Risk Management	04/17/18

Community Colleges - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Carroll Community College	LDC	Sports Medicine Aide	04/27/18
Cecil College	LDC	Music Performance	04/09/18
Cecil College	LDC	New LDC Addiction and Chemical Dependency	05/14/18
Howard Community College	LDC	Additive Manufacturing Technology	05/30/18

IV. NEW AREAS OF CONCENTRATION APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 6

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 2

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Mount St. Mary's University	BS	Applied "Digital" History - AoC	05/21/18
Mount St. Mary's University	BS	Applied "Business" History - AoC	05/21/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Community Colleges - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
College of Southern Maryland	AAS	Network Security - AoC	04/02/18
College of Southern Maryland	AAS	Digital Forensics - AoC	04/17/18
Howard Community College	AA	Audio Video Media - AoC	04/20/18
Howard Community College	AA	Visual Arts - AoC	05/14/18

V. SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATIONS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED – 16

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 8

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Capitol Technology University	BS	Business Analytics to Business Analytics and Data Science	Change Program Title	04/03/18
Capitol Technology University	MBA	Business Analytics to TMBA in Business Analytics and Data Science	Change Program Title	04/03/18
Capitol Technology University	UDC	Computer & Network Security programs	Change Program Title	04/19/18
Capitol Technology University	AAS	Computer Engineering Technology	Change Program Title	04/27/18
Johns Hopkins University	MS	Educational Studies A.o.C.	Substantial Change to Degree Program	04/20/18
Loyola University Maryland	MS	Curriculum and Instruction	Change Program Title	06/19/18
McDaniel College	MS	Public Administration	Change Program Title	06/22/18
Washington College	BS	Chemistry	Substantial Change to Degree Program	05/21/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 3

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
University of Maryland, Baltimore	PBC	Research Dissemination and Science	Change Program Title	04/17/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	MS	Interdisciplinary Studies to Individualized Study	Change Program Title	06/22/18
University of Maryland, College Park	MS	Education Policy and Leadership	Change Program Title	04/19/18

Community Colleges - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Baltimore City Community College	AAS	Addictions Counseling	Substantial Change to Degree Program	05/15/18
College of Southern Maryland	LDC	Information Systems	Substantial Change to Certificate Program	04/17/18

College of Southern Maryland	LDC	Cybersecurity	Substantial Change to Certificate Program	04/12/18
College of Southern Maryland	AAS	Information Systems	Substantial Change to Degree Program	04/17/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Management: Marketing	Substantial Change to Degree Program	04/17/18

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VI. NON-SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATIONS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 27

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Community Colleges - 27

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
Allegany College of Maryland	LDC	Professional Golf Management	Suspend Program	05/31/18
Allegany College of Maryland	LDC	Phlebotomy/EKG Tech	Suspend Program	05/31/18
Allegany College of Maryland	AAS	Professional Golf Management A.o.C.	Suspend Program	05/31/18
Carroll Community College	AAS	Computer Aided Design	Discontinued Program	04/09/18
Carroll Community College	LDC	Computer Aided Design	Discontinued Program	04/09/18
Cecil College	LDC	Transportation & Logistics - Commercial Transport	Suspend Program	05/14/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Accounting & Business	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Administration of Justice	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AS	Administration of Justice A.o.C	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AS	Arts and Sciences	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AS	Biology A.o.C	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Biotechnology	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Biotechnology	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AS	Business Administration	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Commercial Transportation	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Computer-Aided Design	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Computer-Aided Design A.o.C	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Dental Assisting	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Dental Hygiene	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18

Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Human Services Technician	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Mechanical Engineering Technology	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Medical Assistant	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Medical Assisting	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Paramedic Emergency Services	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Police Academy A.o.C	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Radiology	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Sociology A.o.C.	Non-Substantial Program Change	05/30/18

VII. WITHDRAWN PROPOSAL - 1

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Withdrawn	Action Date
Notre Dame of Maryland University	PBC	English Lecture	Withdrawn	06/20/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Community Colleges - 0

VIII. INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM PARTNERSHIPS - 2

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 1

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Partnership	Action Date
Hood College	MA	Educational Leadership	Closed Site Approval	04/19/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 1

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Partnership	Action Date
Towson University	BA	Communication Studies - 2+2 with Harford CC in	Off-campus Program	06/13/18

Community Colleges - 0

IX. PROPOSALS NOT APPROVED/ RECOMMENDED – 0

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Community Colleges - 0

X. OUT-OF STATE INSTITUTIONS (OOS) - 4

(OOS Approved New and Renewal Programs)

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	New (N) or Renew (R)	Action Date	Offered Elsewhere in MD
Central Texas College	AS	General Studies	R	6/13/18	Y
Denver Seminary	M.Div	Divinity	R	4/17/18	N
	MA	Leadership	R	4/17/18	N
	CERT	Biblical and Theological Studies	R	4/17/18	N

(OOS Conditionally Authorized Programs) - 0

(OOS New Areas of Concentration) - 0

(OOS Suspended or Discontinued Programs) - 0

(OOS Proposals Withdrawn) - 0



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2019

TO: Commissioners, Maryland Higher Education Commission

FROM: Dr. Emily A. A. Dow, Assistant Secretary for Academic Affairs

STAFF: Karen King-Sheridan
Associate Director, Collegiate Affairs

SUBJECT: Report on Institutions of Higher Education Program Review: Secretary Actions for Quarter 3 (July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018)

During the current reporting period, the Secretary of Higher Education acted on a total of 146 academic program proposals requiring review under Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.01 and COMAR 13B.02.03, and they are outlined immediately below.

Actions by In-State Institutions (ISI)	Number of Actions	Segment
I. Programs Objected to	2	at independent colleges and universities
	1	at public four-year colleges and universities
	1	at public community colleges
II. New Degree Programs	5	at independent colleges and universities
	4	at public four-year colleges and universities
	5	at public community colleges
III. New Certificate Programs	3	at independent colleges and universities
	4	at public four-year colleges and universities
	5	at public community colleges
IV. New Areas of Concentration	0	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
V. Substantial Modifications to Existing Program	2	at independent colleges and universities
	10	at public four-year colleges and universities
	11	at public community colleges

VI. Non-substantial Modifications to Existing Program	2	at independent colleges and universities
	1	at public four-year colleges and universities
	67	at public community colleges
VII. Withdrawn Proposals	0	at independent colleges and universities
	1	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
VIII. Institutional Program Partnerships	0	at independent colleges and universities
	7	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
IX. Proposals Not Approved or Recommended	0	at independent colleges and universities
	1	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
Quarter 3 Total Actions by ISI <i>objections not included in this total</i>	128	

X. Actions by Out-of-State Institutions (OOS)	Number of Actions	Segment
Programs Objected to	0	at out-of-state institutions
New Programs	0	
Renewal Programs	13	
Conditionally Authorized Programs	0	
New Areas of Concentration	0	
Suspended	0	
Discontinued	5	
Proposals Withdrawn	0	
Proposals Not Approved/Recommended	0	
Quarter 3 Total Actions by OOS <i>objections not included in this total</i>	18	

Quarter 3 Total Actions by ISI and OOS <i>objections not included in this total</i>	146
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I. PROGRAM OBJECTIONS - 4

Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.03.27B requires the Commission to circulate program proposals for thirty days for comment or objections from in-state institutions.

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What follows is a summary of all in-state and out-of-state objections the Commission has received to programs submitted for review, upon which the Secretary has issued a decision between July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018.

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Baltimore City Community College	Transportation Supply Chain Management (AAS)	Cecil College	Unreasonable program duplication	Approved	Determined not unreasonably duplicative	09/10/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Occupational Therapy (Doc)	Towson University	Unreasonable program duplication	Approved after Commission Appeal	Determined not unreasonably duplicative	12/07/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Post-Professional Occupational Therapy (Doc)	Towson University	Unreasonable program duplication	Approved	Determined not unreasonably duplicative	12/07/18
University of Baltimore	Accounting (BS)	Morgan State University*	Unreasonable program duplication	Not Approved	Determined unreasonably duplicative	08/06/18

**Morgan State University’s objection was submitted after the deadline and was not considered.*

II. NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED – 14

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Capitol Technology University	MS	Critical Infrastructure	09/10/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Doc	Occupational Therapy (Doc)	12/07/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Doc	Post-Professional Occupational Therapy (Doc)	12/07/18
Stevenson University	BS	Communication Studies	08/02/18
Stevenson University	BA	Communication Studies	08/02/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Frostburg State University	MS	Physician Assistant Studies	08/17/18
Towson University	MS	Actuarial Science and Predictive Analytics	07/12/18
Towson University	MS	Transformational Educational Leadership	08/08/18
University of Maryland, University College	Doc	Business Administration	07/16/18

Community Colleges - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Baltimore City Community College	AAS	Transportation Supply Chain Management	09/10/18
Cecil College	AAT	Secondary Education w/ A.o.C. in Chemistry, Math, Engineering, and Physics	08/02/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Substance Abuse Counseling	07/12/18
Prince George's Community College	AAS	Health Navigator	07/16/18
Prince George's Community College	AS	Public Health Science	08/10/18

III. NEW CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 12

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 3

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Loyola University Maryland	PMC	Administration and Supervision	08/29/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	PMC	English Literature	09/25/18
SANS Technology Institute	UDC*	Applied Computer Security	08/16/18

**New Degree Level*

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
University of Maryland, Baltimore	PBC	Intercultural Leadership	09/07/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	PBC	Principles of Management of Aging Services	08/03/18
University of Maryland, College Park	PBC	Leading and Managing Healthcare Transformation	07/02/18
University of Maryland, College Park	PBC	Bilingual Speech - Language Pathology	07/02/18

Community Colleges - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Baltimore City Community College	LDC	Robotics/Mechatronics Certificate	07/25/18
Cecil College	LDC	Theatre	07/16/18
Cecil College	LDC	Audio Technology	07/16/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Substance Abuse Counseling	08/29/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Medical Assisting	09/27/18

IV. NEW AREAS OF CONCENTRATION APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 0

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Community Colleges - 0

V. SUBSTANTIAL IFICATIONS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 23

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 2

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Johns Hopkins University	MS	Health in Crisis and Humanitarian Assistance	Change Program Title	09/07/18
Johns Hopkins University	Doc	Molecular Biology and Genetics	Change Program Title	09/27/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 10

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
University of Maryland, Baltimore	PBC	Global Health Systems	Change Program Title	08/29/18
Towson University	BS	Health Science	Change Program Title	08/10/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore	MS	MPH Public Health	Substantial Change to Degree Program	08/17/18
University of Maryland, College Park	MA	Human Development Education	Change Program Title	08/29/18
University of Maryland, College Park	Doc	Human Development Education	Change Program Title	08/29/18
Towson University	BA	French Secondary Education title change	Change Program Title	09/07/18
Towson University	BA	Spanish Secondary Education title change	Change Program Title	09/07/18
Towson University	BA	French Literature/Professional title change	Change Program Title	09/07/18
Towson University	BA	Spanish Literature/Professional title change	Change Program Title	09/07/18
Coppin State University	MS	Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counseling	Change Program Title	09/25/18

Community Colleges - 11

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Baltimore City Community College	AAS	Fashion Retailing A.o.C	Substantial Change to Area of Concentration	07/09/18
Baltimore City Community College	AS	Science A.o.C	Substantial Change to Area of Concentration	07/09/18

Baltimore City Community College	AAS	Business Management A.o.C.	Substantial Change to Area of Concentration	07/09/18
Baltimore City Community College	AAS	Business Marketing A.o.C.	Substantial Change to Area of Concentration	07/09/18
Baltimore City Community College	AS	Pure and Applied Mathematics A.o.C	Substantial Change to Area of Concentration	07/09/18
Baltimore City Community College	AAT	Elementary Ed./Special Ed.	Substantial Change to Degree Program	07/09/18
Frederick Community College	LDC	Culinary Skills	Substantial Change to Certificate Program	07/16/18
Harford Community College	AAS	Advertising and Sales Promotion A.o.C	Change Program Title	09/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Design, Fabrication & Ad Manufacturing	Change Program Title	07/16/18
Cecil College	LDC	Computer Information Systems – Programming	Change Program Title	08/08/18
Cecil College	LDC	Programming	Substantial Change to Certificate Program	08/29/18

VI. NON-SUBSTANTIAL IFICATIONS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 70

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 2

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
McDaniel College	MS	Public Administration	Reactivate Program NOM	07/02/18
Johns Hopkins University	MS	Business Analytics and Risk Management	Code Change NoF	08/31/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 1

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
University of Maryland, College Park	PBC	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages	Change Program Modality NOM	09/07/18

Community Colleges - 67

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
Anne Arundel Community College	AS	Communications A.o.C.	Code Change	09/13/18
Anne Arundel Community College	AS	Psychology A.o.C.	Code Change	09/13/18
Anne Arundel Community College	AS	Gender & Sexuality Studies A.o.C.	Code Change	09/13/18
Baltimore City Community College	AAS	Mental Health Services	Discontinued Program	09/28/18
Baltimore City Community College	LDC	Substitute Teacher	Discontinued Program	09/28/18
Baltimore City Community College	LDC	CADD Engineering Technology	Reactivate Program	08/01/18
Cecil College	AAT	Secondary Education -Music	Suspend Program	07/20/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Psychology A.o.C.	Code Change	09/07/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AS	Land Surveying A.o.C.	Code Change	09/07/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AA	Corporate Communications A.o.C.	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Human Services	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Chemical Dependency Counseling	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Human Services	Discontinued Program	09/25/18

Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Chemical Dependency Counseling	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Child and Youth Care Practitioner	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Occupational Safety and Health Technology	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Occupational Environmental, Safety, and Health Technology A.o.C.	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Occupational Safety and Health Technology	Discontinued Program	09/25/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Business Software Application	Discontinued Program	08/29/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Word Processing	Discontinued Program	08/29/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Medical Office Administration	Discontinued Program	08/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Legal Office	Discontinued Program	08/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Information Systems Security A.o.C.	Discontinued Program	08/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	LDC	Basic Horticulture Technician	Statewide and Health Manpower Designations	08/17/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Administrative Office Professional	Suspend Program	08/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Medical Office Administration A.o.C.	Suspend Program	08/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Software Applications Specialists A.o.C.	Suspend Program	08/28/18
Community College of Baltimore County	AAS	Executive Administrative Assistant A.o.C.	Suspend Program	08/28/18
Frederick Community College	LDC	Nuclear Medicine Technology	Suspend Program	07/12/18
Frederick Community College	AAS	Nuclear Medicine Technology	Suspend Program	07/12/18
Frederick Community College	LDC	Transfer Studies Certificate	Suspend Program	07/12/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Bookkeeping	Discontinued Program	07/12/18
Hagerstown Community College	AAS	Early Childhood & Primary Grade Edu	Non-Substantial Program Change	07/02/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Education Child Care Professionals	Non-Substantial Program Change	07/02/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Medical Billing and Coding	Non-Substantial Program Change	07/02/18
Hagerstown Community College	LDC	Information Systems Technology, Network Administration	Non-Substantial Program Change	07/02/18

Harford Community College	AAS	Computer Information Systems	Change Program Modality	07/09/18
Harford Community College	AS	Business	Change Program Modality	07/09/18
Harford Community College	AAS	Accounting	Change Program Modality	07/09/18
Harford Community College	AAS	Information Assurance and Cybersecurity	Change Program Modality	07/09/18
Howard Community College	AA	General Studies	Change Program Modality	09/27/18
Howard Community College	AA	Business Administration	Change Program Modality	09/27/18
Howard Community College		Institutional Approval to offer Distance Education Programs	Non-Substantial Program Change	09/26/18
Howard Community College	AA	Art A.o.C	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Computer Support Tech	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Entrepreneurship	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AA	Graphic and Interactive Design A.o.C.	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	LDC	Help Desk/LAN Support Tech	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AA	Liberal Arts A.o.C.	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Network Administration	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Police Science	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Howard Community College	AA	Television and Radio A.o.C.	Suspend Program	08/13/18
Prince George's Community College	AAS	Electronic Engineering Technology	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	AS	Engineering Technology	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	AS	Environmental Studies	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	AAS	Investigative Forensics	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Computer Graphics	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Cybercrime Investigation	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Cybersecurity Management	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Early Childhood Education: Mathematics and Science	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Electronic Analysis and Repair	Suspend Program	08/08/18

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Prince George's Community College	LDC	Environmental Studies	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Illustration	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Proficiency in Diverse Student Populations	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Proficiency in Infant/Toddler Development	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Proficiency in School Age Care/Management	Suspend Program	08/08/18
Prince George's Community College	LDC	Technical Support Specialist	Suspend Program	08/08/18

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VII. WITHDRAWN PROPOSAL - 1

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 1

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Withdrawn	Action Date
University of Maryland, College Park	PBC	Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership	Withdrawn	06/21/18

Community Colleges - 0

VIII. INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM PARTNERSHIPS - 7

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 7

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Partnership	Action Date
Towson University	CAS	Organizational Change w/ Harford County Public Schools	Closed Site Approval	07/09/18
Towson University	MS	Instructional Technology w/ Anne Arundel County Public Schools	Closed Site Approval	09/06/18
Towson University	PBC	Integrated STEM w/ Anne Arundel County Public Schools	Closed Site Approval	09/06/18
Towson University	MA	Teaching w/ Howard County Public Schools	Closed Site Approval	09/06/18
Towson University	CAS	Organizational Change w/ Cecil County Public Schools	Closed Site Approval	09/06/18
Towson University	MS	Instructional Technology w/ St. Mary's County at Waldorf	Program at Regional Higher Education Center	08/29/18
Towson University	MS	Instructional Technology (closed site w/ Charles County at Waldorf)	Program at Regional Higher Education Center	08/29/18

Community Colleges - 0

IX. PROPOSALS NOT APPROVED/ RECOMMENDED - 1

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 1

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
University of Baltimore	BS	Accounting	08/06/18

Community Colleges - 0

X. OUT-OF STATE INSTITUTIONS (OOS)

(OOS Approved New and Renewal Programs) - 13

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	New (N) or Renew (R)	Action Date	Offered Elsewhere in MD*
Georgetown University	MSN	Nursing with a concentration in Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner	R	06/13/18	N
	EML	Leadership – District of Columbia (D.C.) Public Schools Leaders*	R	06/13/18	N
Purdue Global University (Formerly Kaplan University)	BS	Business Administration	R	09/5/18	Y
	BS	Health Care Administration	R	09/5/18	Y
	BS	Human Services	R	09/5/18	Y
	BS	Information Technology	R	09/5/18	Y
	AAS	Accounting	R	09/5/18	Y
	AAS	Business Administration	R	09/5/18	Y
	AAS	Criminal Justice and Criminology	R	09/5/18	Y
	AAS	Information Technology	R	09/5/18	Y
	AAS	Legal Support and Services	R	09/5/18	Y
	LDC	Medical Assistant <i>Courses Only</i>	R	09/5/18	Y
LDC	Medical Billing and Coding <i>Courses Only</i>	R	09/5/18	Y	

* Residency for program held in Maryland; available only to D.C. Public Schools leaders

(OOS Conditionally Authorized Programs) - 0

(OOS New Areas of Concentration) - 0

(OOS Suspended or Discontinued Programs) - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program	Action Date
Purdue Global University (Formerly Kaplan University)	AAS	Health Information Technology	09/5/18
	AAS	Human Services	09/5/18
	AAS	Medical Assisting	09/5/18
	AAS	Medical Office Management	09/5/18
	LDC	Phlebotomist	09/5/18

(OOS Proposals Withdrawn) - 0



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STAFF: Karen King-Sheridan
Associate Director, Collegiate Affairs

SUBJECT: Report on Institutions of Higher Education Program Review: Secretary Actions for Quarter 4 (October 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018)

During the current reporting period, the Secretary of Higher Education acted on a total of 105 academic program proposals requiring review under Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13B.02.01 and COMAR 13B.02.03, and they are outlined immediately below.

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	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	2	at public community colleges
III. New Certificate Programs	5	at independent colleges and universities
	8	at public four-year colleges and universities
	1	at public community colleges
IV. New Areas of Concentration	0	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	4	at public community colleges
V. Substantial Modifications to Existing Program	4	at independent colleges and universities
	8	at public four-year colleges and universities
	6	at public community colleges

VI. Non-substantial Modifications to Existing Program	9	at independent colleges and universities
	11	at public four-year colleges and universities
	15	at public community colleges
VII. Withdrawn Proposals	0	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
VIII. Institutional Program Partnerships	0	at independent colleges and universities
	6	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
IX. Proposals Not Approved or Recommended	2	at independent colleges and universities
	0	at public four-year colleges and universities
	0	at public community colleges
Quarter 2 Total Actions by ISI <i>objections not included in this total</i>	89	

X. Actions by Out-of-State Institutions (OOS)	Number of Actions	Segment
Programs Objected to	0	at out-of-state institutions <i>*includes one institution with Courses only</i>
New Programs	1	
Renewal Programs*	11	
Conditionally Authorized Programs	0	
New Areas of Concentration	4	
Suspended	0	
Discontinued	0	
Proposals Withdrawn	0	
Proposals Not Approved/Recommended	0	
Quarter 2 Total Actions by OOS <i>objections not included in this total</i>	16	

Quarter 2 Total Actions by ISI and OOS <i>objections not included in this total</i>	105
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Q4 Proposals Pending Action in 2019: 95

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Capitol Technology University	Construction Science and Management (TMBA)	Morgan State University	Unreasonable program duplication	Denied	Determined unreasonably duplicative	11/16/18
Goucher College	Community-Based Health Services Management (MS)	University of Baltimore	Unreasonable program duplication	Denied	Determined unreasonably duplicative	10/25/18
Stevenson University	Biomedical Engineering	University of Maryland, Baltimore County*	Unreasonable program duplication	Approved	Determined not unreasonably duplicative	11/20/18

*UMBC Withdrew Objection

II. NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED – 10

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 8

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Capitol Technology University	Doc	Critical Infrastructure	10/24/18
Goucher College	BA	Visual and Material Culture	11/09/18
Johns Hopkins University	MS	Healthcare Systems Engineering	10/30/18
Johns Hopkins University	MA	Non-Governmental Organization Management	12/18/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Doc	Post-Professional Occupational Therapy	12/07/18
Stevenson University	BS	Professional Studies	10/17/18
Stevenson University	BS	Biomedical Engineering	11/20/18
Washington College	BS	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	11/09/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities – 0

Community Colleges - 2

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Cecil College	AAS	Computer Science - Programming	11/27/18
Harford Community College	AA	Community Health Promotion	11/20/18

III. NEW CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 14

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 5

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Goucher College	PBC	Historic Preservation, Interpretation, and Documentation	10/05/18
Goucher College	PBC	Historic Preservation and Heritage Conservation	10/05/18
Goucher College	PBC	Humanitarian Leadership and Ethical Advocacy	10/05/18
Notre Dame of Maryland University	PBC	Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counseling	10/05/18
SANS Technology Institute	PBC	Industrial Control Systems Security	10/30/18

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 8

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
University of Baltimore	UDC	Computer Programming	11/07/18
University of Baltimore	UDC	Cyber security	11/09/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	UDC	Philosophy, Ethics, & Values	12/17/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	UDC	Philosophy, Law, & Politics	12/17/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	UDC	History of Philosophy	12/17/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	UDC	Philosophy of Mind and Psychology	12/17/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	UDC	Philosophy, Logic, & Science	12/17/18
University of Maryland, College Park	PBC	Integrated Technology in Education	10/10/18

Community Colleges - 1

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Baltimore City Community College	LDC	Transportation Supply Chain Management	11/14/18

IV. NEW AREAS OF CONCENTRATION APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 4

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Community Colleges - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Prince George's Community College	AA	Health Sciences A.o.C.	10/15/18
Prince George's Community College	AA	Liberal and Creative Arts A.o.C.	10/15/18
Prince George's Community College	AA	Science, Engineering, & Mathematics A.o.C	10/15/18
Prince George's Community College	AA	Social Sciences New A.o.C.	10/15/18

V. SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATIONS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED – 18

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Capitol Technology University	AAS	Electrical Engineering Technology	Change Program Title	11/14/18
Johns Hopkins University	Doc	Molecular Biology and Genetics	Substantial Change to Degree Program	11/14/18
Johns Hopkins University	MS	Social and Behavioral Sciences A.o.C	Change Program Title	11/20/18
SANS Technology Institute	MS	Information Security Engineering	Substantial Change to Degree Program	10/16/18

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Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Frostburg State University	BS	Recreation and Parks Management	Substantial Change to Degree Program	12/12/18
Frostburg State University	MS	Recreation and Parks Management	Change Program Title	10/15/18
Towson University	BS	Integrated Early Childhood and Special Education	Change Program Title	11/27/18
University of Baltimore	MA	Publications Design	Change Program Title	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	BA	Environmental Sustainability and Human Ecology	Change Program Title	12/10/18
University of Baltimore	BA	Philosophy, Society, and Applied Ethics	Change Program Title	12/10/18
University of Baltimore	MA	Legal and Ethical Studies	Change Program Title	12/10/18
University of Maryland, Baltimore	MS	MS in Nursing to MSN	Change Program Title	12/10/18

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Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Substantial Modification	Action Date
Anne Arundel Community College	AAS	Visual Art Professional - Web and interactive Design	Change Program Title	12/18/18
Anne Arundel Community College	LDC	Visual Art Professional - Web Design	Change Program Title	12/18/18

Anne Arundel Community College	AA	Visual Arts Transfer - Visual Design	Change Program Title	12/18/18
Anne Arundel Community College	AAS	Electronic Engineering Technology	Change Program Title	12/17/18
Anne Arundel Community College	LDC	Electronic Engineering Technology	Change Program Title	12/17/18
Cecil College	AAS	Cybersecurity	Substantial Change to Degree Program	10/24/18

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VI. NON-SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATIONS APPROVED/RECOMMENDED - 35

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Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
Goucher College	BA	Studio Arts A.o.C.	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Special Education A.o.C.	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Mathematics	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Music	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Physics	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Religion	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Russian	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Theatre	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18
Goucher College	BA	Elementary Education A.o.C.	Suspend Program NOM	10/31/18

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Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
Salisbury University	BS	Computer Science A.o.C.	Discontinued Program NOM	10/10/18
Towson University	CAS	Reading Education	Suspend Program NOM	12/17/18
University of Baltimore	PBC	Forensic Accounting	Suspend Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	PBC	Global Business	Discontinued Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	MS	Global Leadership	Discontinued Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	BS	Real Estate and Economic Development	Suspend Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	BA	Nonprofit Management and Community Leadership	Suspend Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	PBC	Innovation Management and Technology Commercialization	Discontinued Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	MS	Innovation Management and Technology Commercialization	Discontinued Program NOM	10/23/18
University of Baltimore	BA	International Studies	Suspend Program NOM	12/10/18

University of Baltimore	PBC	Strategic Management and Public Accountability	Discontinued Program NOM	12/10/18
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Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Non-substantial Modification	Action Date
Cecil College	AA	General Studies Transfer	Change Program Modality NOM	11/08/18
Cecil College	LDC	Accounting	Change Program Modality NOM	11/08/18
Cecil College	LDC	Management	Change Program Modality NOM	11/08/18
Cecil College	LDC	Marketing	Change Program Modality NOM	11/08/18
Cecil College	LDC	Supply Chain Management	Change Program Modality NOM	11/08/18
Cecil College		Institutional Approval to offer Distance Education Programs	Change Program Modality NOM	10/26/18
Howard Community College	AA	Art A.o.C	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Computer Support Tech	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Entreneurship	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AA	Graphic and Interactive Design A.o.C	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	LDC	Help Desk/LAN Support Tech	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AA	Liberal Arts A.o.C.	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Network Administration	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AAS	Police Science	Reactivate	10/11/18
Howard Community College	AA	Television and Radio A.o.C.	Reactivate	10/11/18

VII. WITHDRAWN PROPOSAL - 0

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

Public Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

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VIII. INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM PARTNERSHIPS – 6

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 0

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Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Partnership	Action Date
Towson University	MS	Human Resource Development Closed site AACPS	Closed Site Approval	10/26/18
Towson University	MS	M.Ed. Reading Education closed site BCPSS	Closed Site Approval	11/09/18
Towson University	PBC	Action Research Closed site BCPSS	Closed Site Approval	11/09/18
Towson University	MS	M.Ed. Special Education closed site BCPSS	Closed Site Approval	11/09/18
Towson University	MS	Instructional Technology closed site BCPSS	Closed Site Approval	11/09/18
Towson University	MS	Instructional Technology closed site Dumbarton Middle BCPS	Closed Site Approval	11/09/18

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IX. PROPOSALS NOT APPROVED/ RECOMMENDED – 2

Independent Four-Year Colleges and Universities - 2

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	Action Date
Capitol Technology University*	MBA	Construction Science and Management - TMBA	11/16/18
Goucher	MS	Community-Based Health Services MNGT (FULLY ONLINE)	10/25/18

**Pending Commission Appeal as of Jan. 21, 2019*

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X. OUT-OF STATE INSTITUTIONS (OOS) - 16

(OOS Approved New and Renewal Programs)

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	New (N) or Renew (R)	Action Date	Offered Elsewhere in MD*
Chamberlain University	BSN	Nursing	R	10/24/18	Y
Unification Theological Seminary	MRE	Religious Education	R	11/14/18	N
	MDiv	Divinity	R	11/14/18	N
	MA	Religious Studies	N	11/14/18	N
Reformed Theological Seminary		Courses Only	R	11/21/18	N
Bard College	AA	Liberal Arts and Sciences – Early College	R	12/4/18	Y
SUNY Empire State College – Closed Site with International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Works (IAMAW)*	MA	Work and Labor Policy	R	12/18/18	N
	BS	Labor Studies	R	12/18/18	N
	AS	Labor Studies	R	12/18/18	N
SUNY Empire State College – Closed Site with International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT)*	MA	Work and Labor Policy	R	12/18/18	N
	BS	Labor Studies	R	12/18/18	N
	AS	Labor Studies	R	12/18/18	N

* Residency available only to members and affiliates of stated unions

(OOS Conditionally Authorized Programs) - 0

(OOS New Areas of Concentration) - 4

Institution	Degree Level	Program Title	New (N) or Renew (R)	Action Date	Offered Elsewhere in MD*
Unification Theological Seminary	MA	Religious Studies		11/14/18	N
		AOC in Interfaith Peacebuilding	N	11/14/18	N
		AOC Non-Profit Leadership	N	11/14/18	N
		AOC Unification Studies	N	11/14/18	N
		AOC Theological Studies	N	11/14/18	N

(OOS Suspended or Discontinued Programs) - 0

(OOS Proposals Withdrawn) – 0



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Meeting Dates and Locations

January 23, 2019	June 26, 2019
February 27, 2019	September 25, 2019 9:30am to 3:30pm
March 27, 2019	October 23, 2019
April 24, 2019	November 20, 2019 *Please note date change*
May 22, 2019	December 11, 2019 *Please note date change*

All Commission Meetings will be held on the 4th Wednesday of Each Month from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at the Maryland Higher Education Commission in the 7th Floor Board Room located at 6 N. Liberty Street, Baltimore, MD 21201 unless otherwise noted.

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