



Accreditation Review Commission on Education
for the Physician Assistant, Inc.

NOTICE OF ACTIONS – ACCREDITATION STATUS (12.8.2021)

The ARC-PA took the actions displayed below at its **September 30-October 2, 2021** meeting. The accreditation decisions were based on the programs' compliance with the accreditation *Standards* or adherence to ARC-PA policies for accredited programs.

All accredited programs are required to file annual and periodic reports to document continuing compliance with the accreditation *Standards* throughout the accreditation cycle. Programs that received citations¹ from the commission are required to submit a report describing the manner in which the citation(s) have been addressed or resolved.

For definitions of accreditation statuses see <http://www.arc-pa.org/accreditation/accreditation-types-review-cycle/>.

For a complete listing of all accredited programs or for information about specific programs, see <http://www.arc-pa.org/accreditation/accredited-programs/>.

The programs, grouped by the purpose of the commission review, are listed in alphabetical order by state.

THE FOLLOWING LIST REFLECTS RESULTS OF ACCREDITATION ACTIONS FOR NEW PROGRAMS APPLYING FOR ACCREDITATION - PROVISIONAL² INCLUDING COMMENTARY REGARDING PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION DESCRIBING THE CITATION(S)¹ THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED OR RESOLVED.

| PA Program at: | Accreditation Status Granted | Next Comprehensive Review |
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| North Central College, IL | Provisional ² | TBD |
| <i>No report related to Standards.</i> | | |
| Kansas State University, KS | Provisional ² | TBD |
| <i>Report due December 6, 2021:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Standard B3.03c-d (lacked evidence of clearly defined learning outcomes in supervised clinical practice experiences [SCPEs] for c) women's health and d) surgical management),Standard B4.01a (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components aligns with what is expected and taught) andStandard D1.04g (lacked evidence each course in the clinical curriculum includes methods of student assessment). | | |
| Michigan State University, MI | Provisional ² | TBD |
| <i>Report due March 15, 2022:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Standard B4.01a (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components aligns with what is expected and taught). | | |
| Fairleigh Dickinson University, NJ | Provisional ² | TBD |
| <i>Report due December 1, 2021:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Standard B2.02b (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in physiology). | | |

| PA Program at: | Accreditation Status Granted | Next Comprehensive Review |
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| Middle Tennessee State University, TN | Provisional ² | TBD |
| <i>Report due March 1, 2022:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Standard B4.01b (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components allows the program to identify and address any student deficiencies timely).</i> | | |

THE FOLLOWING LIST REFLECTS RESULTS OF ACCREDITATION ACTIONS FOR CURRENTLY ACCREDITED PROGRAMS INCLUDING COMMENTARY REGARDING PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION DESCRIBING THE CITATION(S)¹ THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED OR RESOLVED.

| PA Program at: | Accreditation Status Granted/ Confirmed | Next Comprehensive Review |
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| California State University-Monterey Bay, CA ³ | Provisional ² | September 2023 |
| <i>Report due November 5, 2021:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.12c (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to enrolled and prospective students the most current annual NCCPA PANCE Exam Performance Summary Report [All Test Takers]). | | |
| <i>Report due December 21, 2021:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A2.09d, g (lacked evidence the program director is knowledgeable about and responsible for d) continuous programmatic review and analysis and g) completion of ARC-PA required documents), Standard A2.16c (lacked evidence the program orients clinical faculty to the specific learning outcomes required of students), Standard A3.12g (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to enrolled and prospective students program required competencies), Standard A3.15b (lacked evidence the program defines, publishes, consistently applies and makes readily available to students deadlines for progression in and completion of the program), Standard B2.11d-e (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in patient response to d) illness or injury and e) stress), Standard B2.14c-d (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in c) health care delivery systems and d) health policy), Standard B2.16a (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in patient safety), Standard B3.03b (lacked evidence the supervised clinical practice experiences had defined learning outcomes for children, adolescents, adults and the elderly) and Standard B4.01a-b (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components a) aligns with what is expected and taught and b) allows the program to identify and address any student deficiencies timely). | | |
| Colorado Mesa University, CO | Provisional ² | September 2023 |
| <i>Report due December 6, 2021:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard B4.01b (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components allows the program to identify and address any student deficiencies timely). | | |
| Florida State University, FL ³ | Provisional ² | September 2022 |
| <i>Report due November 23, 2021:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.12b (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to enrolled and prospective students evidence of its effectiveness in meeting its goals). | | |
| Gannon University-Ruskin, FL | Provisional ² | September 2023 |

| PA Program at: | Accreditation Status Granted/ Confirmed | Next Comprehensive Review |
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| <i>Report due June 30, 2022:</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.05b (lacked evidence the program consistently applies its policy that students not substitute for or function as clinical or administrative staff), Standard A3.15c (lacked evidence the program consistently applies its policies and procedures for remediation) and Standard B3.06a (lacked evidence that supervised clinical practice experiences occur with physicians specialty board certified in their area of instruction). | | |
| University of Florida, FL | Continued | September 2027 |
| <i>No report related to Standards.</i> | | |
| Morehouse School of Medicine, GA | Provisional ² | September 2023 |
| <i>Report due February 15, 2022:</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard B2.07b (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in performing focused physical examinations), Standard B2.08a (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in medical care for adults) and Standard B2.17c, e (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in the c) laws and regulations regarding professional practice and conduct and e) PA relationship with the physician). | | |
| University of Saint Francis Fort Wayne, IN | Continued | March 2024 |
| <i>No report related to Standards.</i> | | |
| Frostburg State University, MD | Provisional ² | September 2023 |
| <i>Report due November 19, 2021:</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.12c, i (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to enrolled and prospective students c) the most current annual NCCPA PANCE Exam Performance Summary Report [All Test Takers] and i) the most current annual student attrition information | | |
| <i>Report due December 21, 2021:</i> | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.13b (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to prospective students its admission requirements regarding prior education or work experience), Standard A3.14 (lacked evidence the program makes admission decisions in accordance with published practices), Standard B2.08e (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction in palliative care), Standard B2.10c (lacked evidence the curriculum includes experiences to apply principles in interprofessional teams) and Standard B4.01a-b (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components a) aligns with what is expected of students and taught and b) allows the program to identify and address any student deficiencies timely). | | |
| College of St. Scholastica, MN | Continued | September 2031 |

| PA Program at: | Accreditation Status Granted/ Confirmed | Next Comprehensive Review |
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| <p><i>Report due December 10, 2021:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.12b, i (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to enrolled and prospective students b) evidence of its effectiveness in meeting its goals and i) the most current annual student attrition information), Standard A3.13a (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to prospective students admissions related information related to admission and enrollment practices that favor specified individuals or groups), Standard B4.01b (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components allows the program to identify and address any student deficiencies timely), <p><i>Report due June 1, 2023:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard C1.03 (lacked evidence the program's self-study report accurately and succinctly documents the application and results of ongoing program self-assessment) | | |
| SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, NY | Continued | September 2029 |
| <p><i>Report due June 1, 2023:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard C1.03 (lacked evidence the program's self-study report accurately and succinctly documents the process and application of ongoing program self-assessment). | | |
| Misericordia University, PA | Provisional ² | September 2022 |
| No report related to Standards. | | |
| Penn State University, PA | Continued | September 2027 |
| <p><i>Report due November 15, 2021:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A3.12c (lacked evidence the program publishes and makes readily available to enrolled and prospective students the most current annual NCCPA PANCE Exam Performance Summary Report [All Test Takers]). <p><i>Report due March 25, 2022:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard C1.03 (lacked evidence the program's self-study report accurately and succinctly documents the application and results of ongoing program self-assessment). | | |
| San Juan Bautista School of Medicine, PR ³ | Provisional ² | September 2023 |
| <p><i>Report due November 18, 2021:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard A1.02c-d (lacked evidence the sponsoring institution is responsible for c) ensuring effective program leadership and d) complying with ARC-PA accreditation Standards and policies), Standard A1.04 (lacked evidence the sponsoring institution provides academic support and student services to PA students that are equivalent to those services provided to other comparable students of the institution), Standard A2.12 (lacked evidence the medical director is an active participant in the program), Standard A2.14 (lacked evidence there are sufficient didactic instructional faculty to provide student instruction), Standard A2.18a (lacked evidence the program has at least a 1.0 | | |

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| <p><i>FTE administrative support position dedicated exclusively to the program),</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Standard A3.17b, d (lacked evidence student academic records include documentation b) the student has met institution and program health screening and immunization requirements and d) of remediation efforts and outcomes) and</i> • <i>Standard C2.01a-c (lacked evidence the program maintains effective processes for the initial evaluation of all sites to be used for supervised clinical practice experiences to ensure students have access to a) physical facilities, b) patient populations and c) supervision).</i> <p><i>Report due December 9, 2021:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Standard A1.07 (lacked evidence the sponsoring institution provides the program with the human resources needed to operate the educational program) and</i> • <i>Standard A2.03 (lacked evidence principal faculty are sufficient in number to manage program administrative responsibilities).</i> | | |
| Johnson & Wales University, RI | Continued | September 2027 |
| <i>No report related to Standards.</i> | | |
| Presbyterian College, SC | Provisional ² | September 2023 |
| <p><i>Report due February 15, 2022:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Standard A3.15a (lacked evidence the program defines, publishes, consistently applies and makes readily available any required academic standards),</i> • <i>Standard B2.12b-c (lacked evidence the curriculum includes instruction that is culturally sensitive in development of b) behavior modification and c) coping mechanisms) and</i> • <i>Standard B4.01b (lacked evidence student assessment in the supervised clinical practice experience components allows the program to identify and address any student deficiencies timely).</i> | | |
| Emory and Henry College, VA | Continued | September 2031 |
| <p><i>Report due December 1, 2021:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Standard A2.09g (lacked evidence the program director is knowledgeable about and responsible for completion of ARC-PA required documents).</i> <p><i>Report due June 15, 2023:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Standard C1.03 (lacked evidence the program's self-study report accurately and succinctly documents the application and results of ongoing program self-assessment).</i> | | |
| Concordia University, WI | Probation ³ | June 2023 |
| <i>No report related to Standards.</i> | | |

THE FOLLOWING LISTS REFLECT ACTIONS FOR PROGRAMS WHICH APPLIED FOR PROGRAM CHANGES OR HAD REQUIRED REPORTS DUE TO THE COMMISSION.

Reports considered at the meeting

| PA Program at: | Accepted/Not Accepted/Approved/ Defer Decision /Not Approved/Acknowledged/Not Acknowledged/Reviewed, More Information Requested | Next Comprehensive Review |
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| University of La Verne, CA ^{2,3} | Not Accepted | June 2022 |
| University of the Pacific, CA* | Reviewed, More Information Requested | March 2031 |
| Rocky Vista University, CO ^{2,3} | Accepted | March 2023 |
| Florida International University, FL ³ | Accepted | March 2023 |
| Nova Southeastern University-Jacksonville, FL ³ | Not Accepted | September 2022 |
| University of Dubuque, IA ^{2,3} | Approved/Accepted | June 2022 |
| Trine University, IN ^{2*} | Not Accepted | March 2023 |
| Wichita State University, KS ³ | Accepted | March 2022 |
| University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, NC ^{2,3*} | Reviewed, More Information Requested | March 2022 |
| College of St. Mary, NE ^{2,3*} | Reviewed, More Information Requested | June 2022 |
| Slippery Rock University, PA ³ | Accepted | March 2022 |
| Christian Brothers University, TN ^{3*} | Not Accepted/Accepted | March 2023 |

*Program is required to submit a follow up report to the ARC-PA

Reports considered via expedited process

| PA Program at: | Next Validation Review |
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| Midwestern University-Glendale, AZ | June 2028 |
| Charles R. Drew University, CA* | March 2031 |
| Marshall B. Ketchum University, CA* | March 2029 |
| Point Loma Nazarene University, CA ^{2*} | TBD |
| University of California-Davis, CA | March 2027 |
| University of the Pacific, CA | March 2031 |
| Colorado Mesa University, CO ² | September 2023 |
| Quinnipiac University, CT | September 2023 |
| Sacred Heart University, CT | March 2031 |
| Nova Southeastern University-Fort Myers, FL | March 2028 |
| South University-Tampa, FL | March 2027 |
| University of South Florida, FL | March 2031 |
| University of South Florida, FL | March 2031 |
| St. Ambrose University, IA | March 2029 |
| St. Ambrose University, IA | March 2029 |
| Dominican University, IL | September 2030 |
| Rush University, IL | March 2024 |
| Franklin College, IN ^{2*} | March 2023 |
| Trine University, IN* | March 2023 |
| University of Evansville, IN | March 2031 |
| Valparaiso University, IN ² | September 2022 |
| Valparaiso University, IN ² | September 2022 |
| University of Kentucky, KY | March 2027 |
| University of the Cumberlands. KY | March 2029 |
| Bay Path University, MA | September 2025 |
| Springfield College, MA | September 2026 |
| Tufts University, MA | March 2026 |
| Central Michigan University, MI | March 2024 |
| Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences, MN ² | September 2022 |
| Missouri State University, MO | March 2031 |
| Stephens College, MO | March 2031 |
| Mississippi College, MS | March 2024 |

| PA Program at: | Next Validation Review |
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| Kean University, NJ ^{2*} | TBD |
| Monmouth University, NJ | March 2029 |
| University of Nevada, Reno, NV ² | September 2022 |
| CUNY School of Medicine, NY [*] | September 2024 |
| Hofstra University, NY | September 2026 |
| Ithaca College, NY ^{2*} | TBD |
| Le Moyne College, NY | March 2031 |
| Mercy College, NY | June 2027 |
| Rochester Institute of Technology, NY | September 2027 |
| Rochester Institute of Technology, NY | September 2027 |
| St. John's University, NY | March 2023 |
| Wagner College, NY | September 2029 |
| Yeshiva University, NY ² | TBD |
| Mount Saint Joseph University, OH ² | March 2022 |
| University of Dayton, OH | March 2029 |
| Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences, OK ² | TBD |
| DeSales University, PA | June 2027 |
| King's College, PA | March 2027 |
| Lock Haven University, PA | September 2027 |
| Thiel College, PA ² | TBD |
| West Chester University, PA ² | TBD |
| Medical University of South Carolina, SC [*] | March 2023 |
| South College-Knoxville, TN | September 2027 |
| Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, TX | March 2023 |
| University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, TX | September 2023 |
| Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions, UT | March 2029 |
| University of Utah, UT | March 2026 |
| James Madison University, VA | September 2026 |
| James Madison University, VA | September 2026 |
| University of Washington, WA | September 2029 |
| University of Wisconsin, La Crosse, WI | September 2027 |

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ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

The following programs provided informational actions for which no commission action was required.

| PA Program at: | Next Validation Review |
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| Harding University, AR | September 2024 |
| Chapman University, CA | September 2030 |
| Marshall B. Ketchum University, CA | March 2029 |
| AdventHealth University, FL | June 2029 |
| MGH Institute of Health Professions, MA | June 2029 |
| Augsburg College, MN | June 2029 |
| Bethel University, MN | September 2026 |
| Campbell University, NC | March 2024 |
| Campbell University, NC | March 2024 |
| Lenoir Rhyne University, NC | N/A |
| University of North Dakota, ND | September 2026 |
| Albany Medical College, NY | March 2028 |
| Pace University-Pleasantville, NY ^{2,3} | March 2022 |
| Duquesne University, PA | September 2022 |
| Gannon University, PA | March 2027 |
| Misericordia University, PA ² | September 2022 |
| University of South Carolina, SC | June 2031 |
| Johnson & Wales University, RI | September 2027 |
| Lipscomb University, TN ^{2,3} | March 2023 |
| Shenandoah University, VA | March 2025 |

¹ A **citation** is a formal statement referenced to a specific standard noting the area in which the program failed to provide evidence demonstrating that it meets the standard, or performs so poorly in regard to the standard that the efforts of the program are found to be unacceptable.

² Accreditation-**Provisional** is an accreditation status granted when the plans and resource allocation, if fully implemented as planned, of a proposed program that has not yet enrolled students appear to demonstrate the program's ability to meet the ARC-PA *Standards* or when a program holding accreditation-provisional status appears to demonstrate continued progress in complying with the *Standards* as it prepares for the graduation of the first class (cohort) of students. Accreditation-Provisional does not ensure any subsequent accreditation status. It is limited to no more than five years from matriculation of the first class. Accreditation-Provisional remains in effect until the program achieves Accreditation-Continued after its third review, closes or withdraws from the accreditation process, or until accreditation is withdrawn for failure to comply with the *Standards*.

³ Accreditation-**Probation** is a temporary accreditation status initially of not less than two years. However, that period may be extended by the ARC-PA for up to an additional two years if the ARC-PA finds that the program is making substantial progress toward meeting all applicable standards but requires additional time to come into full compliance. Accreditation-Probation is granted when a program holding an accreditation status of Accreditation-Provisional or Accreditation-Continued does not, in the judgement of the ARC-PA meet the *Standards* or when the capability of the program to provide an acceptable educational experience for its students is threatened. Once placed on probation, a program that fails to comply with accreditation requirements in a timely manner, as specified by the ARC-PA, may be scheduled for a focused site visit and is subject to having its accreditation withdrawn.

⁴ Accreditation-**Administrative Probation** is a temporary status granted when a program has not complied with an administrative requirement, such as failure to pay fees or submit required reports. Once placed on administrative probation, a program that fails to comply with administrative requirements in a timely manner, as specified by the ARC-PA, may be scheduled for a focused site visit and/or risk having its accreditation withdrawn.