

**Transnational Association of
Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS)
Accreditation Commission Action
DoubleTree Guest Suites, Durham, NC**

April 8-9, 2003 Meeting

1. The following institutions were granted **initial accreditation** by the Accreditation Commission after the institutions completed successful self-studies and hosted on-site evaluation team visits:
 - **Clinton Junior College (Rock Hill, SC)** as a **Category I** institution (associate degree granting) for a period of five years, with a self-study, on-site evaluation team visit and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Mars Hill Graduate School (Bothell, WA)** as a **Category III** institution (certificate, bachelor's completion, masters degree granting) for a period of five years, with a self study, on-site evaluation team visit and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.

2. The following institutions were granted **initial Candidacy** by the Accreditation Commission after the institutions completed successful self-studies and hosted on-site evaluation team visits.
 - **Bethesda Christian University (Anaheim, CA)** as a **Category III** institution (bachelors and masters degree granting) for a period of five years, with a self study, on-site team evaluation visit and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Christ's College (Taipei, Taiwan – R.O.C.)** as a **Category II** institution (certificate, bachelors degree granting) for a period of five years, with a self-study, on-site team evaluation visit and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Patrick Henry College (Purcellville, VA)** as a **Category II** institution (bachelors degree granting) for a period of five years, with a self-study, on-site evaluation team visit and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Virginia University of Lynchburg (Lynchburg, VA)** as a **Category IV** institution (certificate, associate, bachelors, masters and doctoral degree granting) for a period of five years, with a self study, on-site team evaluation visit and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.

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3. The following institution was *denied candidacy by the Accreditation Commission:

- **Oxford Graduate School, Dayton TN**, a **Category IV** institution (masters and doctorate degree granting) for the following:

Failure to comply with Standards 5.11 (the Board); 6.1, 6.2 (the Administration); 8.2 (Publications); 11.3, 11.8 (Graduate Education); 25.2 (Instructional Support); and Institutional Eligibility Requirements #3 (Chief Executive Officer), and #6 (Clearly defined educational objectives).

**The institution is appealing this decision in accordance with the policy of the Accreditation Commission.*

4. The following institution's request for a substantive change was deferred by the Accreditation Commission to allow time to comply with Standard 13.1 (Branch Campus – submission of a business plan, including a more detailed financial plan giving long-range continuity of funding resources for the branch campus; quality assurance of programs).

- **Piedmont Baptist College (Winston-Salem, NC)**, a **Category III** institution (certificate, associate, bachelors and masters degree granting) following a self study, on-site evaluation team visit and review by the Accreditation Commission of the Bangladesh Campus (Chittagong, Bangladesh).

5. The following institution was ***denied reaffirmation of accreditation** by the Accreditation Commission:

- **American Christian College and Seminary (Oklahoma City, OK)** a **Category IV** institution (associate, bachelors, masters, doctoral degree granting) was *denied reaffirmation of accreditation for the following:

For failure to comply with Standards 5.2, 5.5, 5.7, 5.9, 5.16 (The Governing Board); 6.1b, 6.1e (The Administration); 10.2, 11.10 (Education Program); 15.1, 15.3, 15.7 (Faculty); 18.2, 18.3, 18.8, 19.1, 19.2, 19.3, 19.5, 19.6 (Financial Operations); 22.1 (Institutional Advancement); 23.3, 23.4, 24.3, 24.5 (Institutional Effectiveness); 25.2, 25.4, (Instructional Support); Eligibility Requirement #10 (Faculty). The institution filed an unsatisfactory Response to the Visiting Team Report.

**The institution is appealing this action in accordance with the policy of the Accreditation Commission. The institution remains accredited until its appeal is resolved in November 2003.*

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6. The Accreditation Commission granted approval to the following accredited institutions to initiate a substantive change:

- **Luther Rice Bible College and Seminary (Lithonia, GA) a Category IV** institution (certificate, bachelors, masters, doctoral degree granting):

To offer the Master of Arts in Ministry.

- **Messenger College (Joplin, MO) a Category II** institution (associate, bachelors degree granting):

To offer the Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration.

7. The Accreditation Commission granted approval to the following accredited institution to initiate a substantive change at a higher category:

- **Beacon College and Graduate School (Columbus, GA) a Category III** institution (associate, bachelors, masters degree granting):

To offer the Doctor of Ministry degree. Moved to **Category IV**.

8. The Accreditation Commission deferred the approval of the following accredited institution to initiate a substantive change pending a staff visit to the site:

- **Southern California Bible College and Seminary (El Cajon, CA) a Category III** Institution.

To establish a branch campus in Seville, Spain.