

STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR WEBBER INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**Background**

Webber International University/Saint Andrew's University (OPEID 00154001) (Saint Andrew's), located in Laurinburg, North Carolina, is an existing licensee in good standing. The institution is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and seeks authorization to offer a Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN) program.

RN to BSN

Staff Recommendation: Approval
 Program Site: Laurinburg, NC
 Projected start date: Upon Licensure
 Projected enrollment: 20

Staff and examiners reviewed this program and made findings regarding the curriculum, faculty, and methods for selecting and evaluating appropriate clinical sites and preceptors. Saint Andrew's adequately responded to these questions and demonstrated that it would operate the program in compliance with the Rules and Standards. Saint Andrew's BSN is already authorized by the Board and by the North Carolina Board of Nursing.

Institutional Metrics and Consumer Protection Information

Metric			
8-year outcomes ⁱ	Graduated	38%	
	Transferred Out	34%	
	Withdrew	27%	
Employment Placement Rate ⁱⁱ	Does not report – not required by accreditor		
Federal Financial Composite Score (3.0 is highest, -1.0 is lowest) ⁱⁱⁱ	2019	2018	2017
	2.2	2.2	1.5
Three-year cohort default rate ^{iv}	Class of 2016	Class of 2015	Class of 2014
	8.3	13.9	17.4

State authorization staff did not receive any complaints regarding Webber in the 2019-2020 academic year.

Recommendation

Issue Saint Andrew's a license to offer the RN to BSN.

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ⁱⁱⁱ This is a general measure of the institution's financial solvency. A score of 1.5 or greater means the institution does not face additional federal restrictions on operating because of financial solvency concerns.

^{iv} Three-year cohort default rate ("CDR") is the percentage of graduates who borrowed federal loans and who defaulted on those loans within three years of graduating. For example, a CDR for a cohort graduating in 2016 can be calculated three years later, in 2019.

STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR TROY UNIVERSITY**Background**

Troy University (OPEID 00104700) (Troy), located in Troy, Alabama, is an existing licensee in good standing. The institution is public and is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Troy seeks authorization to offer a Master of Social work in North Carolina at various clinical sites in the state.

Master of Social Work

Staff Recommendation: Approval
 Program Site: Clinical sites in North Carolina
 Projected start date: Upon Licensure
 Projected enrollment: 20

Staff and examiners reviewed this program and made largely positive findings regarding its academic duration and intensity, faculty qualifications, selection criteria for experiential learning sites, and the student services that will be available to North Carolina residents remotely. Troy's MSW is programmatically accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

Institutional Metrics and Consumer Protection Information

Metric			
8-year outcomes ⁱ	Graduated	29%	
	Transferred Out	38%	
	Withdrew	31%	
Employment Placement Rate ⁱⁱ	Does not report – not required by accreditor		
Federal Financial Composite Score (3.0 is highest, -1.0 is lowest) ⁱⁱⁱ	2019	2018	2017
	Does not report - public		
Three-year cohort default rate ^{iv}	Class of 2016	Class of 2015	Class of 2014
	9.8	10.4	11.4

State authorization staff did not receive any complaints regarding Troy in the 2019-2020 academic year.

Recommendation

Issue Troy a license to offer a Master of Social Work.

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STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR NORTHCENTRAL UNIVERSITY**Background**

Northcentral University (OPEID 03813300) (Northcentral), located in Scottsdale, Arizona, is a regionally accredited not-for-profit university and is an existing licensee in good standing. Northcentral seeks to expand program offerings in North Carolina to include a Doctor of Philosophy in Marriage and Family Therapy. Northcentral anticipates its students only performing clinical rotations and externships for these programs, and the university does not have any current plans to establish a brick-and-mortar presence in North Carolina. Staff most recently conducted a site visit on February 13, 2019.

Doctor of Philosophy in Marriage and Family Therapy

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Program Site: Various clinical sites in North Carolina

Projected start date: Upon Licensure

Projected enrollment: Approximately five

Staff and examiners reviewed this program and made findings regarding the curriculum, faculty supervision of dissertations, clarity of faculty responsibilities with respect to teaching, advising, and other duties, and availability of required student disclosures. Northcentral adequately responded to these questions and demonstrated that it would operate the program in compliance with the Rules and Standards. The program is programmatically accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education.

Institutional Metrics and Consumer Protection Information

Metric			
8-year outcomes ⁱ	Graduated	35%	
	Transferred Out	34%	
	Withdrew	30%	
Employment Placement Rate ⁱⁱ	Does not report – not required by accreditor		
Federal Financial Composite Score (3.0 is highest, -1.0 is lowest) ⁱⁱⁱ	2019	2018	2017
	0.2	0.2	0.2
Three-year cohort default rate ^{iv}	Class of 2016	Class of 2015	Class of 2014
	5.4	5.3	5.6

State authorization staff did not receive any complaints regarding Northcentral in the 2019-2020 academic year.

Recommendation

Issue Northcentral a license to offer a Doctor of Philosophy in Marriage and Family Therapy.

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STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR LIMITED LICENSES

Johnson and Wales University – Charlotte (OPEID 00340410) seeks limited licenses to offer a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and a Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management to students currently matriculated at Johnson and Wales University – Denver (OPEID 00340409) and Johnson and Wales University – North Miami (OPEID 00340403). Johnson and Wales – Denver and Johnson and Wales – North Miami are closing. The proposed limited licenses would allow currently matriculated students to be “taught-out” by the school’s Charlotte campus. Under authority delegated by the Board and the President, Dr. Kimberly van Noort gave staff approval to these limited licenses, and they are now before the Board for ratification.