## Staff Report and Recommendation DeVry University

## **Background**

DeVry University (OPEID 01072700), an existing licensee in good standing, seeks licensure to expand its program offerings to include an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Business, Bachelor of Science (BS) in Accounting, BS in Healthcare Administration, BS in Information Technology and Networking, AAS in Information Technology and Networking, Graduate Certificate in Big Data and Analytics, BS in Communications, BS in Software Development, Master of Information Technology Management, Graduate Certificate in Accounting Certification Preparation, and MS in Accounting. Currently, DeVry has nearly 1,500 students enrolled in 30 licensed degree programs in the areas of business, science, and technology and is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, with its most recent comprehensive evaluation in 2021.

A virtual site visit, hosted from DeVry's main campus in Lisle, Illinois, was conducted in December 2023. Staff and a team of subject matter experts met with senior administrators, including the president and CEO, the provost, chief enrollment, financial, and legal officers, as well as college deans, the university librarian, online learning coordinators, students, and student services directors. The team made findings concerning the curriculum, faculty responsibilities, and professional licensure requirements among other findings, to which the institution responded. Staff also reviewed the status of the Department of Education's administrative actions related to borrower defense claims from students, being defended by DeVry's former parent company, Adtalem Global Education, as well as new accountability principles put in place under the ownership of Cogswell Education, LLC.

## **Institutional Metrics and Consumer Protection Information**

Metric				
Eight-year outcomes <sup>i</sup>	Graduated	22%		
	Transferred out	34%		
	Withdrew	44%		
Employment placement rate		Does not report on a campus-wide basis.		
Federal financial composite score (3.0 is highest, -1.0 is lowest)		2021	2020	2019
		2.1	1.9	1.9
Three-year cohort default rate		Class of 2020	Class of 2019	Class of 2018
		0%	2.3%	8.5%

## Recommendation

Recommendation is to issue DeVry University a license to offer the AAS in Business, BS in Accounting, BS in Healthcare Administration, BS in Information Technology and Networking, AAS in Information Technology and Networking, Graduate Certificate in Big Data and Analytics, BS in Communications, BS in Software Development, Master of Information Technology Management, Graduate Certificate in Accounting Certification Preparation, and MS in Accounting.

<sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise noted, this is data reported by the institution to the U.S. Department of Education and includes both full- and part-time students and first-time and transfer-in students.