

AGENDA ITEM

A-6. License Program ApprovalsJana Walser-Smith

Situation: The University of North Carolina Board of Governors is charged under North Carolina General Statutes Section 116-15 with the responsibility for licensing nonpublic educational institutions to conduct postsecondary degree activity in North Carolina.

Background: The following institutions are seeking licensure approval:

- Harrisburg University — Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, seeks a limited license.
- Jessup University — Rocklin, California, seeks a limited license.
- Ohio Dominican University — Columbus, Ohio, seeks a limited license.
- University of the Pacific — Stockton, California, seeks a limited license.
- St. Thomas University — West End, North Carolina, seeks to convert an interim license into a regular license to operate an administrative campus.

Assessment: After appropriate review of the limited license requests, the UNC System Office recommends approval of these requests.

Action: These items require a vote by the committee, with a vote by the full Board of Governors through the consent agenda.

Staff Report and Recommendation for Limited Licensure

Harrisburg University of Science and Technology, located in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania (OPEID 039483), accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), seeks a limited license to allow three (3) North Carolina students to complete the Master of Science, Nursing program, with an expiration date of May 31, 2027. The university does not intend to seek further authorization and has taken steps to cease further enrollment in North Carolina.

Jessup University, located in Rocklin, California (OPEID 00128100), accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission, seeks a limited license to allow one (1) North Carolina student to complete the Master of Divinity program, with an expiration date of May 31, 2029. The university does not intend to seek further authorization and has taken steps to cease additional enrollment of North Carolina residents.

Ohio Dominican University, located in Columbus, Ohio (OPEID 00303500), accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), seeks a limited license to allow one (1) North Carolina student to complete the Bachelor of Science in Biology program, one (1) North Carolina student to complete the Bachelor of Science in Finance program, four (4) North Carolina students to complete the MS in Anesthesiologist Assistant program, and one (1) North Carolina student to complete the Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies, with the expiration date of May 31, 2028. The university does not intend to seek further authorization and has taken steps to cease additional enrollment of North Carolina residents.

University of the Pacific, located in Stockton, California (OPEID 00132900), accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission, seeks a limited license to allow one (1) North Carolina student to complete the Master of Science in Athletic Training program, with an expiration date of May 31, 2027. The university does not intend to seek further authorization and has taken steps to cease further enrollment of North Carolina residents.

Staff Report and Recommendation for Licensure Conversion

St. Thomas University, a nonprofit institution incorporated in Wyoming, seeks to convert its current interim permit (granted in May 2024) to a permanent license to operate an administrative campus in West End, North Carolina, pursuant to Section 400.4.1 of the UNC Policy Manual, *Policy on Standards for Licensure of Nonpublic Degree Granting Postsecondary Activity*, and Section 400.4.1.3[R] of the UNC Policy Manual, *Regulation on Procedures for Licensure*. An administrative campus would allow the institution to offer advising, enrollment, recruiting, and similar postsecondary degree activity, but not instruction, from a physical location in North Carolina.