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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

The Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) is the official statement of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) about each institution's current accreditation status and scope of accreditation. The SAS also provides a brief history of the actions taken by the Commission.

Institution:	**UNIVERSIDAD ANA G. MENDEZ – CUPEY CAMPUS** San Juan, PR
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Accreditation Summary

For more information, see the Commission's **Accreditation Actions Policy and Procedures**.

Phase: Accredited

Status: Accreditation Reaffirmed

Accreditation Granted: 1980

Last Reaffirmation: 2013

Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2022-2023

Next Mid-Point Peer Review: 2027

Alternative Delivery Methods

The following represents approved alternative delivery methods included in the scope of the institution's accreditation:

Distance Education

Approved to offer programs by this delivery method

Correspondence Education

Not approved for this delivery method

Credential Levels

Approved Credential Levels

The following represents credential levels included in the scope of the institution's accreditation:

- **Postsecondary award (1-2 yrs)**
  Included within the scope:
- **Postsecondary award (2-4 yrs)**
  Included within the scope:
- **Associate's Degree or Equivalent**
  Included within the scope:
- **Bachelor's Degree or Equivalent**
  Included within the scope:
- **Post-baccalaureate Certificate**
  Included within the scope:
- **Master's Degree or Equivalent**
  Included within the scope:
- **Doctor's Degree- Research/Scholarship**
  Included within the scope:

Locations

The following represents branch campuses, additional locations, and other instructional sites that are included within the scope of the institution's accreditation:

Location	Type
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Dallas Branch Campus 3010 N. Stemmons Freeway Dallas, TX 75247	Branch Campus
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Metro Orlando Branch Campus 5601 South Semoran Boulevard, Suite 55 Orlando, FL 32822	Branch Campus
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - South Florida Branch Campus 15201 NW 79th Ct. Miami Lakes, FL 33016	Branch Campus
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Tampa Bay Branch Campus 3655 West Waters Avenue Tampa, FL 33614	Branch Campus
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Aguadilla Carr. 111 K 0.6 Bo. Palmar 00605 Aguadilla, PR 00605	Additional Location
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Bayamon Esquina Santiago Veve Centro de Gobierno Paseo del Parque al lado Biblioteca Municipal Edif. B 2do piso Bayamon, PR 00960-0278	Additional Location
Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Jayuya Calle Figueras #2 Jayuya, PR 00664	Additional Location

Definitions: For definitions of branch campus, additional locations, or other instructional sites, see the **Commission's Substantive Change Policy and Procedures**.

Accreditation Actions

The following represents the MSCHE accreditation actions taken in the last ten (10) years. For more information, see the **Commission's Accreditation Actions Policy and Procedures** *and* **the Substantive Change Policy and Procedures**.

January 11, 2021	To acknowledge receipt of documentation of approval for the alternative delivery method - distance eduation from the Puerto Rico Board of Post-Secondary Institutions.
January 4, 2021	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include alternative delivery method-distance education within the institution's scope of accreditation. To require written evidence of approvals from all necessary licensing, regulatory, or other legal entities as necessary, including the Puerto Rico Board of Post-Secondary Institutions. To note that the Commission may rescind this action if the requested substantive change is not implemented within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
October 29, 2020	To acknowledge receipt of the teach-out plan. To approve the teach-out plan. To approve the teach-out agreements with Washington Adventist University, Takoma Park, MD; The University of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD; UAGM-Gurabo Campus, Gurabo, PR; UAGM-Online Campus, San Juan, PR; University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, MD; Clarkson College, Omaha, NE. To note that the Capital Area branch campus will close by December 31, 2020. To note that students may obtain academic records at UAGM-Cupey Campus, San Juan, PR.
October 29, 2020	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note the institution's decision to close the branch campus at Suites 100-200, Inventa West Tower, One Discovery Place Silver Spring, MD 20910. To require immediate notification when instruction ceases at the branch campus. To note that the Commission may rescind this action if the requested substantive change is not implemented within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
April 30, 2020	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To note the institution's decision to close the additional location at Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Comerio Learning Site, #25 Georgetti Street, Comerio, PR 00782. To require immediate notification when instruction ceases at the additional

	location. To note that the Commission may rescind this action if the requested substantive change is not implemented within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
April 16, 2020	To acknowledge receipt of formal written notice from the institution in response to the Commission's request of March 9, 2020. To temporarily waive Substantive Change Policy and Procedures and allow the use of distance education to accommodate students impacted by coronavirus (COVID-19) interruptions, in accordance with United States Department of Education (USDE) guidelines published March 5, 2020. Continued use of distance education beyond the limitations of USDE guidelines will require substantive change approval in accordance with Substantive Change Policy and Procedures. This flexibility is not available for clock-hour courses that lead to licensure if the licensing body will not accept distance learning courses or hours or give credit for them toward the number of hours a student must complete. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
March 5, 2020	To note that the Mid-Point Peer Review has been conducted. To request that, beginning in 2020 and in conjunction with each Annual Institutional Update prior to the self-study visit in 2022-2023, the institution provide further evidence of (1) adequate fiscal and human resources, including physical and technical infrastructure, to support operations (Standard VI) and (2) demonstrated strategies to measure and assess the adequacy of institutional resources to support mission and goals (Standard VI).
October 29, 2019	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the relocation of the Universidad Ana G. Mendez - Capital Area Branch Campus, 11160 Veirs Mill Road, Wheaton, MD 20902 to Suites 100-200 Inventa West Tower, One Discovery Place, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 within the institution's scope of accreditation. To direct a substantive change site visit as soon as practicable but no later than six months after the commencement of instruction at the branch campus. To require immediate notification when instruction commences at the new address and of the date that instruction at the former address ceases. To note the Commission may rescind this action if instruction does not commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
November 15, 2018	To acknowledge receipt of the supplemental information report. To note that a follow-up team visit will not be conducted. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.

June 21, 2018	To note the visit by the Commission's representative and to affirm inclusion of the branch campus at South Florida University Center, 15201 NW 79th Ct., Miami Lakes, Florida 33016 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the Commission's request for a supplemental information report, due August 1, 2018, regarding the status of the institution. A small team visit may follow submission of the report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
March 15, 2018	To accept the Supplemental Information report. To request a Supplemental Information report, due August 1, 2018, regarding the status of the institution. A small team visit may follow submission of the report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
December 13, 2017	To acknowledge receipt of documentation of approval to operate from the Florida Commission for Independent Education and to include the branch campus at South Florida University Center, 15201 NW 79th Ct., Miami Lakes, Florida 33016 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit.
October 19, 2017	To request a supplemental information report due December 1, 2017, regarding the status of the institution.
July 5, 2017	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include within the scope of the institution's accreditation the relocation of the branch campus from South Florida University Center, 3520 Enterprise Way, Miramar, Florida 33025 to South Florida University Center, 15201 NW 79th Ct., Miami Lakes, Florida 33016 and to include provisionally the new location pending a site visit within six months of commencing operations and effective upon receipt of state approval. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at the new campus and the closure of the old campus. Operations at the branch campus must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2022-2023.
November 19, 2015	To accept the progress report. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.
June 25, 2015	To note the visit by the Commission's representative and to affirm inclusion of the branch campus at 2998 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75247 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the

	progress report, due September 1, 2015, documenting further progress in the implementation of an organized and sustainable assessment process that includes direct evidence of student learning, with evidence that results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.
January 5, 2015	To acknowledge receipt of documentation of approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and to provisionally include the Dallas branch campus at 2998 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75247 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the commencement of operations.
October 27, 2014	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include provisionally the branch campus at 2998 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75247 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the commencement of operations and effective upon receipt of state approval. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this branch campus. In the event that operations at the branch campus do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. To remind the institution of the progress report, due September 1, 2015, documenting further progress in the implementation of an organized and sustainable assessment process that includes direct evidence of student learning, with evidence that results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2018.
November 21, 2013	To accept the monitoring report, to note the visit by the Commission’s representatives, to remove the warning, and to reaffirm accreditation. To request a progress report, due September 1, 2015, documenting further progress in the implementation of an organized and sustainable assessment process that includes direct evidence of student learning, with evidence that results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is now due June 1, 2018.
November 15, 2012	To warn the institution that its accreditation may be in jeopardy because of insufficient evidence that the institution is currently in compliance with Standards 10 (Faculty), 12 (General Education), and 14 (Assessment of Student Learning). To note that the institution remains accredited while on warning. To request a monitoring report, due September 1, 2013, documenting evidence that the institution has achieved and can sustain compliance with Standards 10,

	12, and 14. To request that the monitoring report include, but not be limited to, documentation of (1) evidence that faculty and other professionals are appropriately prepared and qualified for the positions that they hold, with roles and responsibilities clearly defined, and sufficiently numerous to fulfill those roles appropriately (Standard 10); and (2) implementation of an organized and sustained assessment process to evaluate and improve student learning, in all programs including general education, with evidence that assessment results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standards 12 and 14). A small team visit will follow submission of the monitoring report. To direct a prompt Commission liaison guidance visit to discuss the Commission's expectations for reporting. The Periodic Review Report submission date will be established when accreditation is reaffirmed.
June 28, 2012	To note the visit by the Commission's representatives and to affirm inclusion of the branch campus at Westfield Wheaton Shopping Center, 11160 Veirs Mill Road, Wheaton, MD 20902 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To note that the evaluation visit has occurred and will be acted on at the November Commission Meeting.
November 1, 2011	To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to provisionally include the branch campus at Westfield Wheaton Shopping Center, 11160 Veirs Mill Road, Wheaton MD 20902 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this branch campus. In the event that operations at this branch campus do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2011-2012.

Information about the Middle States Commission on Higher Education

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) is one of seven institutional accrediting organizations in the United States and is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). MSCHE accreditation applies to an institution as a whole rather than the specific programs within an institution. MSCHE does not approve or accredit individual programs. The MSCHE accreditation review cycle is continuous and accreditation does not expire. Each institution is reevaluated and monitored on a regular and consistent basis in accordance with the institution's assigned accreditation review cycle and Commission policy and procedures. An institution maintains its accreditation unless it is voluntarily surrendered or withdrawn by the Commission for cause, after the institution has been afforded due process. The institution's current accreditation phase and accreditation status are displayed on the institution's listing in the Institution Directory and in the Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS).