



## Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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Dr. John J. DeGioia  
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Georgetown University  
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Office of the President  
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

Dear Dr. DeGioia:

At its session on November 16, 2017, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To accept the Periodic Review Report and to reaffirm accreditation. To commend the institution for the quality of the Periodic Review Report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2021-2022.

This action is an affirming action, as explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*, which is available on the Commission's website.

Enclosed is a copy of the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) for your review. If any of the factual information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

In accordance with Commission policy, the accreditation status of the institution must be accurately represented. Please ensure that published references to your institution's candidate status or accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) are accurate and include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency, and the effective date (month and year) when status was granted. Candidate for Accreditation is a status with the Commission that indicates that an institution has achieved membership and is progressing toward, but is not assured of, accreditation.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Georgetown University. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Stephen J. Pugliese, Vice President.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Wirt, Ed.D.  
Chair



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### **STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS**

#### **GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY**

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**Chief Executive  
Officer:**

**Dr. John J. DeGioia, President**

#### **INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION**

**Enrollment  
(Headcount):** 7453 Undergraduate ; 11072 Graduate

**Control:** Private (Non-Profit)

**Affiliation:** Religious - Roman Catholic Church

**2015 Carnegie  
Classification:** Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity

**Approved Degree  
Levels:** Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma ( $\geq 1$  year,  $< 2$  years), Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma ( $\geq 2$  years,  $< 4$  years), Bachelor's, Postbaccalaureate Award/Cert/Diploma, Master's, Doctor's - Professional Practice, Doctor's - Research/Scholarship;

**Distance  
Education** Fully Approved

**Programs:**

**Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education:**

#### **Instructional Locations**

**Branch Campuses:** None

**Additional Locations:** 640 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, DC; Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Services, Doha, Qatar; ILADES Program, Erasmo Escala No 1835, Chile; M.A. Development Mgmt. & Policy, Universidad Nacional de San Martin, Argentina; Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, Avenue Franklin Roosevelt 42, 1050, Belgium.

**Other Instructional Sites:** Airlie Center, Warrenton, VA; Bolger Center, Potomac, MD; China World Summit Wing- Shangri La Hotel, No.1 Jianguomenwai Avenue, Beijing, China, 100004, China; ESADE Campus- Barcelona, Av. de Pedralbes, 60-62, 08034 Barcelona, Spain, Spain; ESADE Campus- Madrid, Calle Mateo Inurria, 25-27, 28036 Madrid, Spain, Spain; Four Seasons Hotel, New York, NY; Hotel Atton Vitacura, Av Vitacura 3201, Santiago, Vitacura, Region Metropolitana, Chile, Chile; Hotel Renaissance, Alameda Santos, 2233, Sao

Paulo, Brazil, Brazil; Hyatt on the Bund Hotel, 199 Huang Pu Road, Shanghai, China, 200080, China; JW Marriott Hotel, Av. Atlantica, 2600, Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, 22041-001, Brazil, Brazil; Lansdowne Resort, Leesburg, VA; Sotheby's Institute of Art - London, 30 Bedford Square, Bloomsbury, London, WC1B 3EE, United Kingdom; Sotheby's Institute of Art - New York, New York, NY; Vivanta by Taj - MG Road Hotel, 41/3, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Bangalore, India, Karnataka - 560 001, India; Wyndham Gettysburg Hotel, Gettysburg, PA.

## **ACCREDITATION INFORMATION**

**Status:** Member since 1921

**Last Reaffirmed:** November 16, 2017

### **Most Recent Commission Action:**

November 16, 2017: To accept the Periodic Review Report and to reaffirm accreditation. To commend the institution for the quality of the Periodic Review Report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2021-2022.

### **Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:**

June 28, 2012: To reaffirm accreditation and to commend the institution for the quality of its self-study report and process. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

April 29, 2013: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the additional location at 640 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington DC 20001 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this site. In the event that operations at this site do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

October 28, 2013: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at the Tower Club, 8000 Towers Crescent, Suite 1700, Vienna, VA 22182 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

January 29, 2014: To note the institution's decision not to open the additional location at the Tower Club, 8000 Towers Crescent, Suite 1700, Vienna, VA 22182 and to remove the location from institution's accreditation.

April 28, 2014: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at Convene, 1800 Tysons Blvd., McLean, VA 22102 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. In the event that operations at the

additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

March 1, 2016: To acknowledge receipt to remove the request to offer an additional location at the Convene, 1800 Tysons Blvd., McLean, VA 22102. To note that the location never opened as planned.

January 3, 2017: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the additional location at Universite libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, 50 avenue Franklin Roosevelt, 1050, Brussels, Belgium within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. Operations at the additional location must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2021 - 2022.

January 3, 2017: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include within the scope of the institution's accreditation, effective upon receipt of required government approval, the contractual arrangement with Universite libre de Bruxelles (ULB), leading to the master's degree in Political Economy. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2021 - 2022.

**Next Self-Study Evaluation: 2021 - 2022**

**Date Printed: November 17, 2017**

## **DEFINITIONS**

**Branch Campus** - A location of an institution that is geographically apart and independent of the main campus of the institution. The location is independent if the location: offers courses in educational programs leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential; has its own faculty and administrative or supervisory organization; and has its own budgetary and hiring authority.

**Additional Location** - A location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of an educational program. ANYA ("Approved but Not Yet Active") indicates that the location is included within the scope of accreditation but has not yet begun to offer courses. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have begun at this location.

**Other Instructional Sites** - A location, other than a branch campus or additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit.

**Distance Education Programs** - Fully Approved, Approved (one program approved) or Not Approved indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer diploma/certificate/degree programs via distance education (programs for which students could meet 50% or more of the requirements of the program by taking distance education courses). Per the Commission's Substantive Change policy, Commission approval of the first two Distance Education programs is required to be "Fully Approved." If only one program is approved by the Commission, the specific name of the program will be listed in parentheses after "Approved."

Commission actions are explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*.