



**Public Disclosure:
Nazarene Bible College status changed
from “Accredited” to “Accredited – On Probation”
Effective: November 4, 2021**

The Higher Learning Commission has placed Nazarene Bible College in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on Probation. HLC took this action because it determined that the institution does not meet HLC's Criteria for Accreditation related to institutional effectiveness, resources and planning.

Probation is a sanction meaning that an accredited institution is no longer in compliance with one or more of HLC's Criteria for Accreditation. The period of Probation is not more than two years.

What This Means for Students

While on Probation, the institution remains accredited, and it has the opportunity to remedy the issues that led to the sanction. In most cases, other colleges and universities will continue to accept the institution's credits in transfer or for admission to a higher degree program. All colleges and universities define their own transfer and admission policies. Students interested in pursuing a higher degree or transferring should contact the college or university they plan to attend so that they are knowledgeable about the admission and transfer policies for that college or university.

Noted Criteria for Accreditation

HLC concluded that the University does not meet the following HLC Criterion/Criteria for Accreditation:

- Criterion Five, Core Component 5.C, “the institution engages in systematic and integrated planning and improvement,”

HLC concluded that the institution meets, but with concerns, the following HLC Criterion/Criteria for Accreditation:

- Criterion One, Core Component 1.C, “the institution provides opportunities for civic engagement in a diverse, multicultural society and globally connected world, as appropriate within its mission and for the constituencies it serves.”
- Criterion Four, Core Component 4.C, “the institution pursues educational improvement through goals and strategies that improve retention, persistence and completion rates in its degree and certificate programs.”
- Criterion Five, Core Component 5.B, “the institution's resource base supports its educational offerings and its plans for maintaining and strengthening their quality in the future.”

Next Steps

The institution is required to provide evidence that it has addressed the issues that led to the sanction, no later than February 1, 2023 in preparation for HLC's on-site evaluation to be held no later than April 2023. In November 2023, the HLC Board of Trustees will determine whether the institution has demonstrated that it is in compliance with the Criteria for Accreditation and whether Probation can be removed.

About the Higher Learning Commission

The Higher Learning Commission accredits approximately 1,000 colleges and universities in the United States. HLC is a private, nonprofit accrediting agency. It is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. Questions? Contact info@hlcommission.org or call 312.263.0456.

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