On June 28, 2018, HLC’s Board of Trustees approved a Change of Structure for the University of Wisconsin System, resulting in the University of Wisconsin Colleges ceasing to operate as an independently accredited institution. The oversight of its two-year branch campuses was then redistributed among the respective University of Wisconsin four-year institutions.

The restructuring described above occurred on July 2, 2018, and the individual branch campuses were officially included in the accreditation of the universities noted below as of that date:

- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee assumed control over: Waukesha and Washington County
- University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh assumed control over: Fox Valley and Fond du Lac
- University of Wisconsin-Whitewater assumed control over: Rock County
- University of Wisconsin-Platteville assumed control over: Richland and Baraboo/Sauk County
- University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire assumed control over: Barron County
- University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point assumed control over: Marathon County and Marshfield/Wood County
- University of Wisconsin-Green Bay assumed control over: Manitowoc, Sheboygan, and Marinette

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