

Public Disclosure Notice

Rasmussen University Voluntary Resignation of Accreditation

Effective: August 4, 2026

Rasmussen University in St. Cloud, Minnesota, voluntarily resigned its accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission effective August 4, 2026, following its consolidation with the American Public University System, resulting in the creation of a single HLC-accredited institution. Rasmussen University ceased to be an independently accredited institution on this date.

The institution's status as an HLC-accredited institution changed to the status of "inactive," meaning that the institution is no longer accredited on the effective date above.

What This Means for Students

Credits and degrees earned from the institution prior to the effective date above remain accredited.

In most cases, other colleges and universities will continue to accept credits earned from the institution prior to the effective date above 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.

To provide transparency for all stakeholders, HLC publishes a [Directory of Institutions](#) on its website. The directory includes information about a college or university's accreditation status and history with HLC.

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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