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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:** **EDP UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO** Hato Rey, PR

**Address:** P. O. Box 192303  
Hato Rey, PR 00919-2303

**Phone:** (787) 765-3560

**URL:** [www.edpuniversity.edu](http://www.edpuniversity.edu)

**Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO):** Dr. Alberto Lopez

**Commission Staff Liaison:** Dr. Judith Sciple, Vice President

## Accreditation Summary

*For more information, see the Commission's [Accreditation Actions Policy and Procedures](#).*

**Phase:** Accredited

**Status:** Accreditation Reaffirmed

**Candidate Status Granted:** 2001

**Accreditation Granted:** 2006

**Last Reaffirmation:** 2021

**Next Self-Study Evaluation:** 2028-2029

## 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:*

- **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

## Locations

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

<b>Location</b>	<b>Type</b>
<b>EDP University of Puerto Rico</b> P. O. Box 192303 Hato Rey, PR 00919-2303	Main Campus
<b>EDP University of Puerto Rico Caguas Branch Campus</b> Rafael Cordero Ave., #5 Genova Street, Caguas, Puerto Rico Caguas, PR 00726	Branch Campus
<b>EDP University San Sebastian, PR</b> Betances # 49 San Sebastian, PR 00685	Branch Campus
<b>EDP University Villalba Branch Campus</b> Carretera 149 Km. 54.02, Villalba Arriba Villalba, PR 00766	Branch Campus
<b>Humacao Branch Campus</b> #4 and 6 Antonio Lopez Street Humacao, PR 00791	Branch Campus
<b>Manati Branch Campus</b> 52 McKinley Street Manati, PR 00674	Branch Campus
<b>521 Ave. Ponce de León</b> 521 Ave. Ponce de León Esq. Calle Guayama San Juan, PR 00919	Other Instructional Site
<b>553 Ponce de Leon Avenue</b> 553 Ponce de Leon Avenue San Juan, PR 00919	Other Instructional Site

Location	Type
<b>Calle Andres Velazquez #44</b> Calle Andres Velazquez #44 San Sebastian, PR 00685	Other Instructional Site
<b>Calle Betances # 47</b> Calle Betances # 47 San Sebastian, PR 00685	Other Instructional Site
<b>Calle Betances #43</b> Calle Betances #43 San Sebastian, PR 00685	Other Instructional Site
<b>Condominio Arroyo</b> 528 Avenida Ponce De León, esquina Calle Arroyo Hato Rey, PR 00918	Other Instructional Site

*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**.*

- March 28, 2024**                      Staff acted on behalf of the Commission to acknowledge receipt of the supplemental information report requested by the Commission action of November 6, 2023, providing information on key data indicators (student achievement), as reported on the 2023 Annual Institutional Update (AIU) in accordance with federal regulation 34 CFR § 602.19(d). The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2028-2029.
- March 14, 2024**                      To note the substantive change visit occurred on January 17, 2024, to the branch campus at Rafael Cordero Ave., #5 Genova Street, Caguas, Puerto Rico 00726, and the information provided in the substantive change request was verified.
- November 6, 2023**                      Staff acted on behalf of the Commission to request a supplemental information report, due December 13, 2023, providing information on key data indicators (student achievement) as reported on the 2023 Annual Institutional Update in accordance with federal regulation 34 CFR § 602.19 (d). The next evaluation date is scheduled for 2028-2029.
- October 31, 2023**                      To note the verification visits took place to the main campus at P.O. Box 192303, Hato Rey, PR 00919-2303 on August 10, 2023 and to the branch campuses at (1) 52 McKinley Street, Manati, PR 00674 on July 31, 2023; (2) #4 and 6 Antonio Lopez Street, Humacao, PR 00791 on August 10, 2023; (3) Betances # 49, San Sebastian, PR 00685 on August 11, 2023; and (4) Carretera 149 Km. 54.02, Villalba Arriba, Villalba, PR 00766 on August 8, 2023.
- July 10, 2023**                      To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the branch campus at Genova Street #5 North, Caguas, PR, 00726 within the institution's scope of accreditation. To require immediate notification when instruction commences at the branch campus by email to [substantivechange@msche.org](mailto:substantivechange@msche.org). 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 note that the Commission reserves the right to rescind this action if any developments reveal additional information that might have affected the Commission's decision and/or the requested

substantive change is not implemented within one calendar year from the date of this action. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2028-2029.

**March 4, 2021**

To acknowledge receipt of the self-study report. To note that the institution hosted a virtual site visit in lieu of an on-site visit in accordance with the United States Department of Education (USDE) guidelines published March 17, 2020. To reaffirm accreditation. To note that a verification visit is required by USDE guidelines and will be conducted within a reasonable period of time following the virtual site visit. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2028-2029.

**March 14, 2019**

To note the substantive change site visits occurred at the branch campuses at (1) Humacao Branch Campus, #4 and 6 Antonio Lopez Street, Humacao, PR 00791; and (2) Manati Branch Campus, 52 McKinley Street, Manati, PR 00674 and the information provided in the substantive change request was verified. To remind the institution of the Commission's request of March 15, 2018 for a supplemental information report due August 1, 2018. The next evaluation visit is scheduled visit for 2020-2021.

**November 15, 2018**

To acknowledge receipt of the supplemental information report. To note that a follow-up visit will not be conducted. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2020-2021.

**July 2, 2018**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include the reclassification of the following additional locations as branch campuses at (1) Humacao Branch Campus, #4 and 6 Antonio Lopez Street, Humacao, PR 00791; and (2) Manati Branch Campus, 52 McKinley Street, Manati, PR 00674 and to provisionally include the branch campuses within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the commencement of the operations as a branch campus. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at these branch campuses. Operations at the branch campuses must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. To remind the institution of the Commission's request of March 15, 2018 for a supplemental information report due August 1, 2018. The next evaluation visit is scheduled visit for 2020-2021.

**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 2020-2021.

**October 19, 2017**

To request a supplemental information report due December 1, 2017, regarding the status of the institution.

**June 22, 2017**

To note the visit by the Commission's representative and to affirm inclusion of the additional location at 52 McKinley Street, Manati, PR 00674 and the branch campus at EDP University Villalba Branch Campus, Carretera 149 Km. 54.02, Villalba Arriba, Villalba, PR 00766 within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2020-2021.

**February 27, 2017**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include provisionally the branch campus at EDP University Villalba Branch Campus, Carretera 149 Km. 54.02, Villalba Arriba, Villalba, PR 00766 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the commencement of operations at the location. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this branch 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 2020-2021.

**November 17, 2016**

To accept the Periodic Review Report, to reaffirm accreditation and to commend the institution for the quality of the Periodic Review Report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2020-2021.

**October 31, 2016**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include provisionally within the scope of the institution's accreditation the relocation of the additional location from 113 McKinley Street, Manati, PR 00674 to 52 McKinley Street, Manati, PR 00674 pending a site visit within six months of commencing operations at the new location. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at the new location and the closure of the old location. Operations at the additional location must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. To note that the Periodic Review Report has been received and will be acted upon by the Commission at the November meeting.

**June 26, 2014**

To note the visit by the Commission's representative and to affirm inclusion of the additional locations at (1) 113 Calle McKinley, Coto Norte Ward, Manatí, PR 00674 and (2) 4 y 6 Calle Antonio López, Humacao, PR 0079 within the

scope of the institution's accreditation. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2016.

**October 28, 2013**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include provisionally the additional locations at (1) 113 Calle McKinley, Coto Norte Ward, Manati, PR 00674 and (2) 4 y 6 Calle Antonio Lopez, Humacao, PR 00791 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending site visits within six months of commencing operations. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at these additional locations. In the event that operations at these locations do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2016.

**October 28, 2013**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include (1) the Masters Degree in Science of Nursing with a specialization in Acute/Critical Care with an Educational or Administrative Role and (2) the Masters Degree in Science of Nursing with a specialization in Emergency/Trauma Care with an Educational or Administrative Role within the scope of the institution's accreditation. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2016.

**June 27, 2013**

To accept the progress report. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2016.

**October 31, 2012**

To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the online Associate Degree in Business Administration and the Associate Degree in Nursing offered in a predominantly online format within the scope of the institution's accreditation. To remind the institution of the progress report due by April 1, 2013 documenting further progress in (1) aligning its policies, procedures, governance, and practices with the requirements of the college's non-profit mission (Standards 1 & 4); and (2) implementation of a comprehensive and sustained process for the assessment of student learning, including evidence that assessment results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2016.

**June 23, 2011**

To reaffirm accreditation and to request a progress report due by April 1, 2013 documenting further progress in (1) aligning its policies, procedures, governance, and practices with the requirements of the college's non-profit mission (Standards 1 & 4); and (2) implementation of a comprehensive and sustained process for the assessment of student learning, including evidence that assessment results are used to improve teaching and learning (Standard 14). The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2016.

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*An institution maintains its accreditation unless it is voluntarily surrendered, whether through institutional closure or otherwise, or it is denied or withdrawn by the Commission.*