



SUNY Orange Policy Manual

Policy Number	Policy Title
BP5.6	Accreditation

The Board of Trustees directs the President to ensure that the College maintains its accreditation with the Middle States Commission on Higher Education and other appropriate accreditation agencies.

The Board authorizes the President to seek, as appropriate, accreditation for individual academic degree programs from appropriate specialized accreditation agencies. Such accreditation may be mandatory or voluntary based upon the degree program. Where considered mandatory, accreditation must be maintained for continued program operation. The Board encourages the President to consider accreditation of programs where accreditation is considered voluntary. Accrediting agencies that are not considered as mandatory are considered voluntary and the Board authorizes the President to evaluate the importance of those accreditations for students in those programs.

The President will inform the Board of Trustees of all initial accreditation initiatives. The Board will be made aware of all programs that seek, receive, and maintain mandatory and voluntary accreditation. The President must obtain Board of Trustees approval to withdraw a program from required or voluntary accreditation.

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