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**Disclosure Statement Regarding the Status of
UNIVERSITY OF HOLY CROSS
New Orleans, Louisiana**

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The following publicly available information is provided by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) concerning the accreditation of the University of Holy Cross. Information presented below is in accord with SACSCOC's disclosure policy; SACSCOC staff cannot comment further on questions specifically related to the University of Holy Cross. The institution reviewed this statement prior to public posting.

Action by SACSCOC Board of Trustees took place on June 11, 2026, and the institution's next review is June 2027.

What is the accreditation status of the University of Holy Cross?

The University of Holy Cross is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. The institution has been continued in accreditation for Good Cause and placed on Probation for twelve (12) months after the Board's review of its Second Monitoring Report subsequent to action on a Referral Report in June 2024. SACSCOC accreditation includes all components of the institution—all programs, branch campuses, off-campus sites and distance learning programs as reported to SACSCOC; thus, the Probation for Good Cause status applies to the entire institution.

What does it mean to be continued in accreditation, and placed on Probation for Good Cause?

The University of Holy Cross has been monitored for an initial two years which began in June 2024. The maximum consecutive time that an institution can be in a monitoring period is two (2) years. Since the University of Holy Cross has not demonstrated compliance with all the standards of the *Principles of Accreditation* at the conclusion of its two-year monitoring period, the SACSCOC Board of Trustees may (1) extend the institution's accreditation for Good Cause and place the institution on Probation or (2) remove the institution from membership. The Board acted to extend the institution's accreditation for Good Cause instead of removing the institution's accreditation because:

- (1) the institution demonstrated significant recent accomplishments in addressing non-compliance;
- (2) the institution provided evidence which made it reasonable for the Board to assume it would remedy all deficiencies within a 12-month period; and
- (3) the institution provided assurance to the Board that it was not aware of any other reasons, other than those identified by the Board, why the institution could not be continued for Good Cause.

Probation for Good Cause is the most serious public sanction imposed by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees short of loss of accreditation. In June 2027, the University of Holy Cross will have been on Probation for Good Cause for one (1) year.

For additional information about sanctions, see the SACSCOC policy entitled [Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation and Removal from Membership](#).

Why was the University of Holy Cross placed on Probation for Good Cause?

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees determined that the institution has not yet demonstrated compliance with the *Principles of Accreditation*, namely Core Requirement 13.1 (*Financial resources*) and Standard 13.3 (*Financial responsibility*) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. A Special Committee has been authorized to visit the institution. These standards expect the institution (1) to have sound financial resources and a demonstrated, stable financial base to support the mission of the institution and the scope of its programs and services and, (2) to manage its financial resources and operate in a fiscally responsible manner.

To read the full statements for the standards cited above, access the [Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement](#).

What will happen in June 2027?

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees will consider the accreditation status of the University of Holy Cross following a review of a Third Monitoring Report addressing the standards cited above for non-compliance. The Board will have the following options: (1) remove the institution from Probation for Good Cause without an additional report; (2) remove the institution from Probation for Good Cause and request a Follow-Up Report; (3) continue accreditation, continue the institution on Probation for Good Cause, and request a Fourth Monitoring Report, with authorization of a Special Committee (NOTE: the institution must meet the provisions of Good Cause for this option to apply); or (4) remove the institution from membership for failure to comply with the *Principles of Accreditation*. SACSCOC staff will not speculate on what decision might be made by the Board of Trustees in June 2027.

For additional information regarding SACSCOC's accreditation process, please access our webpage at www.sacscoc.org.

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