

Public Session #24-02

Feb. 1, 2024 ◆ 9:30 a.m.

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The Commission will RECESS at 12:30 pm.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Ascertainment of Quorum
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Public Comment (*reserved for agenda items only*)

Please use this form if you would like to offer input for the Commission to consider regarding an institution that appears on the public meeting agenda: [Public Comment Form](#)
- V. Consent Agenda
 - a. Dec. 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes
 - b. Approval lists (*attached*)
 - c. Compliance and Monitoring
- VI. Non-consent Agenda (*items removed from consent agenda*)
- VII. Unfinished Business
- VIII. Applications for Licensure/Exemption/Amendment
 - a. Provisional/ Initial
 - i. Bunifu Digital Learning Lab (ND)
 - b. Renewals/Amendment Applications
 - i. Thinkful (ND)
 - ii. International Center for Language Studies (ND)
 - iii. Congress Heights Community Training & Development Corporation (ND)
 - iv. Berlitz Languages, Inc. (ND)
 - v. Bennett Career Institute (ND)

~ 30-minutes recess ~



- IX. Cases and Show Cause
 - a. D2022-003 - Allied Health and Technology Institute (ND) – Request for Reconsideration
 - b. D2024-001 - Bethel Training Institute (ND) -Request for Hearing

 - X. Extended Public Comment (*limited to 2 minutes per person on any item/matter not listed on the agenda*)

 - XI. Report of the Executive Director
 - a. After Action Report

 - XII. Correspondence
 - a. Information
 - i. CHEA – recognition of MSCHE changed
 - ii. Strayer University – program notice

 - XIII. Announcement

 - XIV. Next Public Meeting: Apr. 4, 2024
- Unless otherwise noted public meetings begin at 9:30 am. Agendas and minutes are available on the website: <https://helc.osse.dc.gov/topic/helcadmin/meetings-and-events/commission-meetings>.
- XV. Adjournment

This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.



APPROVAL LIST

RENEWALS & AMENDMENTS *submitted at time of renewal*

Recommended approval of the following applications for **one (1)** year from the date of expiration.

| Institution | Approval Type | Expiration Date if Approved |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Flatiron School (ND) | Renewal | 1/31/2025 |
| Catholic Charities (ND) | Renewal | 11/30/2024 |
| Northwestern University (D) | Renewal and New Program Amendment | 11/30/2024 |
| Institute of World Politics (D) | Amendment | 5/31/2024 |
| University of California—Berkeley (D) | Renewal | 11/30/2024 |
| Washington University—Olin School of Business (D) | Renewal and Amendment | 11/30/2024 |
| MedStar Washington Hospital Center (ND) | Renewal | 1/31/2025 |
| Moreland University (D) | Renewal | 9/30/2024 |

AMENDMENTS ONLY

* The licensure period for institutions seeking approval to amend by adding new programs, new location or name change will synchronize with the institutions current license.

| Institution | Approval Type | Current Expiration |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Texas A&M University (The Bush School of Government and Public Service) (D) | Program modifications | 7/31/2024 |

CONDITIONAL EXEMPTIONS

Recommended approval of the following applications for **one (1)** year from the date of expiration.

| Institutions | Approval Type | Expiration Date if Approved |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Hamilton College (D) | Renewal | 1/31/2025 |
| Michigan State University (D) | Renewal/Program Amendment | 3/31/2025 |
| University of Michigan- Ann Arbor (D) | Renewal | 11/30/2024 |



CONDITIONAL EXCLUSION

Recommended approval of the following application(s).

| Institutions | Approval Type | Expiration Date if Approved |
|---|----------------------|--|
| MedStar Georgetown University Hospital (ND) | Exclusion | Expiration is contingent upon changes to the educational offerings |

NAME APPROVAL

Recommended approval of the following application(s).

| Institutions | Approval Type | Expiration Date if Approved |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Learnix Tree Center, LLC (ND) | Name Approval | Not Applicable |

STATE AUTHORIZATION RECIPROcity AGREEMENT (SARA)

Recommended approval of the following applications for **one (1)** year from the date of expiration.

| Institutions | Approval Type | Expiration Date if Approved |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Institute of World Politics (D) | Renewal | 2/7/2025 |
| Trinity University (D) | Renewal | 3/11/2025 |

CONDITIONAL APPROVALS

Recommended approval with conditions for the following applications for **one (1)** year from the date of expiration. If approved, conditions must be satisfied within 30 days of approval, unless otherwise specified.

| Institution | Approval Type | Conditions of Approval | Expiration Date if Conditions are met timely |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| University of Southern California (D) | New location limited to floors, 1,4, 8-Penthouse, P1, P2 | Revised certificate of occupancy; internship new program application; catastrophic events plan | Syncs with current approval |



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| Transemantics Inc. dba International Language Institute (ND) | Renewal | Annual submission of financial audit, annual submission of data survey | 1/31/2026 |
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KEY: Institution Type: (D) – Degree (ND) – Non-Degree

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COMPLIANCE & MONITORING REPORT

EXPIRATIONS

None this period

Notice of license expiration was sent to the following institutions.

| Institutions | Expiration Date |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Claremont Graduate University | 5/31/2023 |
| Graduate School USA | 3/31/2023 |
| Prairie View A&M University | 12/31/2023 |

UNLICENSED ACTIVITY

None this period

The Commission is/has investigated the following institutions suspected to be operating postsecondary educational programs in the District of Columbia without approval.

| Institution | Improper Activity | Sanction/Fine to be levied |
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| Bunifu Digital Learning Lab | Advertising unapproved programs --- https://www.facebook.com/bunifuelearning/ https://bunifuelearning.com/ | TBD |
| Cyvergance.AI | Falsely advertising that it is approved by the HELC to operate in DC | TBD |