

POLICIES

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Office:** Academic Affairs and Office of Legal Affairs

Policy Statement

It is the policy of Austin Peay State University to regularly update the institution's policies and practices regarding institutional accreditation to conform with changes made by the United States department of education or by the United States congress.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to identify potential institutional accreditors for the University and describe the method of changing an accreditor subject to T.C.A. §§ 49-8-203, Public Chapter 868 (2024).

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| I. Available
Accreditors | A. The University may choose from the following institutional accreditors. <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Higher Learning Commission2. Middle States Commission on Higher Education3. New England Commission of Higher Education4. Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities |
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- 5. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges
- 6. Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)

B. This policy shall be reviewed no less than once every three years to conform to changes made by the United States Department of Education or the United States Congress.

II. Changing an Accreditor

A. Subject to approval by the Board, the University may change its institutional accreditor. Before taking any action to change its accreditor, the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs will work to confirm that during the process of changing accreditors, the University will not take any action to jeopardize the ability to provide student financial assistance.

Revision Dates

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