ACME ACCREDITATION COMMISSION for MIDWIFERY EDUCATION

2016 Annual Report for USDE

The mission of the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME) is to advance excellence in midwifery education.

The U.S. Department of Education grants the following scope of recognition to ACME: "the accreditation and pre-accreditation of basic certificate, basic graduate nurse-midwifery, direct entry midwifery, and pre-certification nurse-midwifery education programs, including those programs that offer distance education." ACME services are available to any education program that meets the eligibility requirements outlined in our Policies and Procedures Manual.

ACME is administratively and financially autonomous from the American College of Nurse-Midwives.

In 2016 ACME submitted its petition to the U.S. Department of Education for continued recognition.

The Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME) Board of Review made the following accreditation decisions in 2016.

FEBRUARY 2016 BOARD OF REVIEW ACTIONS

Programmatic Preaccreditation (through February 2021)

• University of Pittsburgh, Doctor of Nursing Practice, (DNP) Nurse-Midwifery

Substantive Change

None

Adverse Action

None

Continued Programmatic Accreditation (through February 2026)

- **Baylor University, Louise Herrington School of Nursing,** Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) (Nurse-Midwifery)
- University of Michigan, Master of Science (Nurse-Midwifery), Post Graduate Certificate (Nurse-Midwifery)

Substantive Change

None

Adverse Action

None

JULY 2016 BOARD OF REVIEW ACTIONS

Continued Programmatic Accreditation (through July 2026)

- East Carolina University, College of Nursing, Nurse-Midwifery Program Master of Science (MS) and Post-Graduate Certificate
- Emory University, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, Nurse-Midwifery Program -Master of Science (MS) and Post-Graduate Certificate
- University of Utah, College of Nursing, Nurse-Midwifery Program Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and Post-Graduate Certificate

Substantive Change

- **Emory University, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing**, Nurse-Midwifery Program added a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), accredited through July 2026.
- SUNY Stony Brook University, School of Nursing, Nurse-Midwifery Program added a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), accredited through February 2018

Adverse Action

None

Withdrawal of Accreditation

• University of Puerto Rico Graduate School of Public Health, Nurse-Midwifery Program – Voluntarily withdrew accreditation and closed program effective as of November 1, 2016

NOVEMBER 2016-OFF CYCLE REVIEW

Continued Programmatic Accreditation

• **Baystate Medical Center**, Midwifery Education Program – extended accreditation by six (6) months while the transition from one academic affiliation to another is completed. Accredited through February 2018

Substantive Change

- **Columbia University,** Nurse-Midwifery Program added a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). Accredited through July 2024
- Seattle University, Nurse-Midwifery Program added a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). Accredited through December 2018

Adverse Action

None

Withdrawal of Accreditation

None