

Savannah State University's (SSU) Accreditation

SSU is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). The current accreditation period is effective from June 2012 through December 2021.

The Commission on Colleges and its Committees on Compliance and Reports met officially December 8-11, 2012 to make a decisions on reaffirmation statuses of institutions eligibility for reaccreditation. [Public announcements of reaccreditation](#) were made at the SACSCOC Board of Trustees June meeting of 2012.

All institutions accredited by SACSCOC are required to undergo a review for reaffirmation of accreditation every ten years. The U.S. Department of Education requires accrediting agencies to monitor its institutions more often to ensure that institutions having access to federal funds continue to meet accreditation standards. To that end, the Commission has developed a Fifth-Year Interim Report. SSU submitted its Fifth Year Interim Report March 25, 2017 and from that report, SSU was required to submit a Monitoring Report. The bases of the Monitoring Report was in lieu of two remaining standards out of the 18 standards all institutions are required to address within the Fifth Year Interim Report process. Our Monitoring Report was submitted on April 15, 2019. Next assessment review for SSU is our reaffirmation of accreditation "On-site Visit" by SACSCOC scheduled for March 23-25, 2021.

Statement of Accreditation Status

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) has accredited Savannah State University as an level three (3) collegiate institution to confer awards of associate, bachelor's, and master's degrees. Information of SSU's accreditation status can be answered by contacting the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500.

SSU's Road to Reaffirmation of Accreditation 2018-2021 Timeline

| Accreditation Events | Dates of Importance |
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| Pre-audit conducted | October-December 2018 |
| SACSCOC Leadership Team Orientation in New Orleans | December 9, 2018 |
| SSU's QEP Task Force formed | Spring 2019 |
| Composition of SSU's Compliance Certification Report | June 2019-February 2020 |
| SACSCOC Annual Meeting in Houston | December 7-10, 2019 |
| Advisory Visit with Dr. Nuria M. Cuevas VP w/SACSCOC | April 29 & 30, 2020 |
| Compliance Certification Report due to USG | June 1, 2020 |
| SSU's Compliance Certification Report mailed to SACSCOC | August 28, 2020 |
| SACSCOC Annual Meeting in Nashville | December 5-8, 2020 |
| Focused Report (A Response to the Preliminary Findings of the Offsite Committee) & the QEP due 6 weeks before the SACSCOC On-Site Visit to SSU | January 18, 2021 |
| SSU's On-Site SACSCOC Visit (10 member Review Team) | March 23-25, 2021 |
| Institution's response to Reaffirmation Committee Report due | August 02, 2021 |
| SACSCOC Board of Trustees Decision Annual Meeting in Dallas | December 4-7, 2021 |

Note: A publication of the IRPA Office. Updated 5/11/2019.