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Dr. Dennis J. Shields
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Dear Dr. Shields:

The Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation (MCCA) is the approval authority for academic degree-granting postsecondary institutions domiciled, incorporated, or otherwise located in Mississippi. Currently, MCCA does not regulate academic degree-granting institutions that are not domiciled, incorporated, or otherwise located in Mississippi that offer academic courses and/or programs exclusively online.

Accordingly, as University of Wisconsin-Platteville stipulates that it only offers online academic courses and/or programs from its Wisconsin location(s) and is not domiciled, incorporated, or otherwise located in Mississippi, MCCA authorization is not required. Mississippi residents should be made aware of licensure and certification requirements of state boards as applicable (i.e., MS Dept of Education, MS Board of Nursing, etc.). No further action is needed by the institution to provide online programming to Mississippi residents from its Wisconsin location(s) under the procedures in effect as of the date of issuance of this statement.

We encourage you to revisit the state requirements on a regular basis to verify that MCCA approval is not needed (www.mississippi.edu/mcca/).

Sincerely,

Menia Dykes
For E. Harold Fisher, Chair