



Senior College and University Commission

Substantive Change Action Report

Proposal Information:

Proposal Review Date	October 23, 2014
Institution	Point Loma Nazarene University
Type of Substantive Change	Distance Education
Program Name / Location	MA in Strategic Organizational Leadership
ALO	Margaret Thomas Bailey
WASC Staff Liaison	Karen Graham
Committee Reviewers	Laurie Dodge, Jackee McNitt Engles

Committee Action and Date (See Attached)

Additional Information¹ (See Attached):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interim Approval on <u>10/23/2014</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Refer to Commission (No visit) on _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notification of Implementation <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Site Visit Required <input type="checkbox"/> International Visit Required <input type="checkbox"/> Fast Track <input type="checkbox"/> Non Compliance ¹ Items checked or listed above must be fulfilled in order to finalize Substantive Change Approval
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Commission Approval and Date (For Institutional Tracking)^{2,3}:

<input type="checkbox"/> Approved on _____ Implementation of an approved change must occur within two years of Commission approval. If the change will be implemented more than two years after the approval date; contact your WASC Staff Liaison to determine if the change requires re-approval.
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved on _____

² Commission approval of a new degree program signifies that the program is covered by the WASC accreditation of the institution as a whole. Approval by W should not be represented, in marketing materials or any other forms of communication, as program-specific accreditation, such as that bestowed by specialized professional, or programmatic accrediting organizations.

³ Record the date that the Commission took action on this Substantive Change proposal for your records.

Findings of the Committee:

Commendations:

- The proposal was thorough and well written addressing prior Commission suggestions as well as requests for clarification. The proposal is clearly aligned with the institution's mission.
- The institution has designed and is implementing an exemplary educational effectiveness plan at all levels of learning outcomes.
- The initiation of the PLNU's first online program was implemented with serious intention and thoughtful planning including committed institutional resources, faculty development, and instructional support.

Recommendations:

- PLNU should continue its planned enhancement of pedagogy appropriate for online delivery by using a larger variety of instructional tools in course design and student interaction. (CFRs 2.1, 3.5)

WASC Liaison Signature:

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Karen E. Johnson, MP

Date: 10/24/2014