

## Notification of Request for Authorization under the Degree-Granting Institutions Act

**Date posted:** September 26, 2014

**Institution:** University of Phoenix

**Current status**: Authorized to offer degree programs in Washington State

**Nature of request:** Authorization to offer three degree programs at a new teaching site

**Proposed Site:** Clover Park Technical College

4500 Steilacoom Boulevard SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

# Programs to be offered at this site:

Bachelor of Science in Business

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration with concentrations in:

Emergency Management Health Information Systems

Health Management Long-Term Care

Bachelor of Human Services with concentrations in:

Addiction

Family and Child Services

Gerontology Management

## **Background:**

University of Phoenix has operated in Washington State since 1996. It has been accredited by the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges (NCA) since 1978. It currently offers programs in Washington State at a campus in Tukwila and temporary teaching sites in Tacoma and Shoreline.

University of Phoenix has now entered into a room rental agreement with Clover Park Technical College (CPTC). University of Phoenix will use classroom space at CPTC for delivery of coursework for purposes of aiding area residents in degree completion. The University's Western Washington Campus in Tukwila will be the sole administrative authority for the instruction and curriculum to be delivered at the teaching site at CPTC.

#### **Nature of the review:**

Prior to granting authorization to offer degree programs in Washington State at new sites, the Washington Student Achievement Council/Degree Authorization reviews elements such as facility configuration; student support services provided; faculty qualifications; etc.

The proposed teaching site for the University of Phoenix appears to meet the requirements of the Degree-Granting Institutions Act. The programs to be offered at the site are currently authorized for the other Washington locations.

#### **Timeline:**

The Council will accept comments on this application until October 10, 2014.

Any individuals with knowledge that may indicate the institution and/or the program does not meet the authorization requirements of WAC 250-61 are requested to submit comments to: <a href="Degree Authorization">Degree Authorization</a>.

If you would like to know more about the current law and regulations that govern the program, they can be found at the following links: the statute is <u>RCW 28B.85</u> and the regulation is <u>WAC 250-61</u>.