



AFFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS RELATING TO TITLE IV

Periodically, member institutions are asked to affirm their compliance with federal requirements relating to Title IV program participation, including relevant requirements of the Higher Education Opportunity Act.

1. Credit Transfer Policies. The institution's policy on transfer of credit is publicly disclosed through its website and other relevant publications. The institution includes a statement of its criteria for transfer of credit earned at another institution of higher education along with a list of institutions with which it has articulation agreements. (NECHE Policy 95. See also *Standards for Accreditation* 4.29-4.32 and 9.18.)

URL:

- <http://catalog.umaine.edu/content.php?catoid=85&navoid=3375> (University of Maine undergraduate catalogue)
- <http://catalog.umaine.edu/index.php?catoid=84> (University of Maine at Machias academic catalogue)
- <http://catalog.uma.edu/content.php?catoid=3&navoid=83> (University of Maine at Augusta academic catalogue)
- <https://catalog.umf.maine.edu/show.php?version=2021-2022> (University of Maine at Farmington academic catalogue)
- <https://catalog.umfk.edu> (University of Maine at Fort Kent academic catalogue)
- <https://www.umpi.edu/academics/course-catalog/> (University of Maine at Presque Isle academic catalogue)
- <https://catalog.usm.maine.edu/content.php?catoid=6&navoid=207> (University of Southern Maine undergraduate catalogue)

Print Publications: N/A

Self study page reference: 48

2. Student Complaints. "Policies on student rights and responsibilities, including grievance procedures, are clearly stated, well publicized and readily available, and fairly and consistently administered." (*Standards for Accreditation* 5.18, 9.8, and 9.18.)

URL:

- <https://www.maine.edu/board-of-trustees/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2021/08/527411-Conduct-Code-2021-with-Cover.pdf> (University of Maine System Student Conduct Code)
- <https://umaine.edu/studentlife/wp-content/uploads/sites/16/2020/10/2020-Student-Handbook>

- _101420.pdf (University of Maine student handbook)
- <https://machias.edu/compliance/student-conduct-code/> (University of Maine at Machias page)
- <https://www.umfk.edu/student-life/affairs/title-ix/> (University of Maine at Fort Kent student affairs information page)
- https://catalog.umf.maine.edu/Student_Policies_and_Procedures.pdf (University of Maine at Farmington student policies and procedures information)
- <https://www.umpi.edu/static/neasc/Standard%206/Student%20Handbook.pdf> (University of Maine at Presque Isle student handbook)
- <https://usm.maine.edu/community-standards-mediation/conduct-process> (University of Southern Maine Community Standards and Mediation page)
- <https://mainelaw.maine.edu/student-life/community-standards/> (University of Maine School of Law Community Standards, Campus Climate, and Incident Reporting page)

Print Publications: N/A

Self study page reference: 266-267

3. Distance and Correspondence Education: Verification of Student Identity: If the institution offers distance education or correspondence education, it has processes in place to establish that the student who registers in a distance education or correspondence education course or program is the same student who participates in and completes the program and receives the academic credit. . . .The institution protects student privacy and notifies students at the time of registration or enrollment of any projected additional student charges associated with the verification of student identity. (NECHE Policy 95. See also *Standards for Accreditation* 4.48.)

Method(s) used for verification:

- <https://online.umaine.edu/online-student-verification/> (This information is taken from the University of Maine's *UMaine Online* site. Because the University of Maine System's learning management system is centralized, the methods for verification described on that site apply to all students System-wide.)

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4. FOR COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATIONS ONLY: Public Notification of an Evaluation Visit and Opportunity for Public Comment: The institution has made an appropriate and timely effort to notify the public of an upcoming comprehensive evaluation and to solicit comments. (NECHE Policy 77.)

URL:

- <https://www.maine.edu> (University of Maine System homepage)
- <https://umaine.edu> (University of Maine homepage)
- <https://machias.edu> (University of Maine at Machias homepage)
- <https://www.umfk.edu> (University of Maine at Fort Kent homepage)
- <https://www.umf.maine.edu/accountability/accreditation/> (University of Maine at Farmington accreditation resource page)
- <https://www.umpi.edu/about-umpi/neche/> (University of Maine at Presque Isle NECHE accreditation page)
- <https://usm.maine.edu/accreditation/comprehensive-evaluation-visit-new-england-commission-higher-education-neche> (University of Southern Maine NECHE accreditation page)
- <https://mainelaw.maine.edu> (University of Maine School of Law homepage)

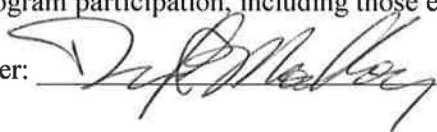
Print Publications:

- Portland Press Herald
- Bangor Daily News
- Kennebec Journal
- Lewiston Sun Journal
- Machias Valley News Observer
- Calais Advertiser
- Aroostook County Star Herald

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The undersigned affirms that the University of Maine System meets the above federal requirements relating to Title IV program participation, including those enumerated above.

Chief Executive Officer: _____



Date: 5-18-22

March 2016, June 2020, August 2021