

State of South Dakota

Office of the Secretary of State

RENEWAL CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION Postsecondary Education

I, **Steve Barnett**, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

continues to meet the requirements to provide postsecondary education in the State of South Dakota pursuant to South Dakota Codified Law 13-48. This registration has an effective date of **July 01, 2022** and will be valid through **June 30, 2023**.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this day, **April 25, 2022** .

Steve Barnett

Steve Barnett
Secretary of State

SD Secretary of State Office
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501
(605) 773-2797
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RENEWAL
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

SDCL 13-48

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1. Name of Applicant (the institutional name under which postsecondary educational programs are provided):

Columbia College-Ellsworth AFB

2. Applicant's Main Address (Additional sites listed on Attachment A):

1001 Rogers Street Columbia MO 65216

Actual Street Address City State ZIP+4

Mailing Address, if Different from Street Address City State ZIP+4

<https://www.ccis.edu/>

Website

3. Contact Person: Dusti Schnedler Assistant Director, Institutional Compliance

Name Title

(573) 875-3960

Telephone Number Fax Number

dschnedler@ccis.edu

Email Address

4. Applicant's PHYSICAL South Dakota Address:

1000 Ellsworth Drive, #2400 Ellsworth AFB SD 57706-4943

Actual Street Address City State ZIP+4

Mailing Address, if Different from Street Address City State ZIP+4

5. Does the Applicant operate at sites other than the addresses stated above? ☒ YES ☐ NO

If "YES", please be advised that Attachment A to this application must be completed, which shall comprise part of this application, and any subsequent changes to the information provided in Attachment A must be submitted with an amendment application to the Secretary of State Office, within thirty (30) days of such change.

6. Does the Applicant have a parent organization (non-profit, corporate, or otherwise)? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If "YES", please indicate the following:

Parent Organization Name

Street Address City State ZIP+4

7. Is the Applicant an instrumentality of the State of South Dakota under the jurisdiction of the South Dakota Board of Regents?

☐ YES ☒ NO

If "NO", please indicate whether the Applicant is either (check one of the following):

☐ An instrumentality of another state (please list the state agency which has jurisdiction over Applicant)

State	Agency		
Street Address		City	State ZIP+4
Contact Phone Number	Fax Number		

☒ Legally established to operate in South Dakota as a business entity

FN206593
South Dakota Business ID
Columbia College
South Dakota Business Name

8. Is the Applicant accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education?

☒ YES - Please include a COPY of your Accreditation.

If "YES", please indicate the following:

Higher Learning Commission			
Accrediting Agency			
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500	Chicago	IL	60604
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
Effective date of most recent grant of accreditation:	2013		
Term or expiration date of most recent accreditation:	01/01/2023		

☐ NO

If "NO", Application submission MUST include documentation of an affiliation agreement whose terms make another postsecondary institution, which is accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, responsible for awarding academic credit and educational credentials to its students and maintaining transcripts for such students:

9. Has the Applicant ever been ordered to cease operations?

☐ YES

If "YES", please indicate the following:

Jurisdiction

Agency that made the order

The date ordered to cease operations:

Dates the cease operation was in effect:

Is the cease operations order still in effect?

☐

YES

☐

NO

☒ NO

The undersigned acknowledges that Applicant is required to notify the Secretary of State Office within thirty (30) days of a change in information set forth in this Application, including any changes in information set forth in any Attachments or other accompanying information. The undersigned has executed the foregoing document and, under penalties of perjury, certifies that the information provided herein, and in support thereof, is true and correct.

The application must be signed by an authorized officer of the postsecondary educational institution. No person may execute this report knowing it is false in any material respect. Any violation may be subject to a criminal penalty (SDCL 22-39-36).

Dated 04/20/2022



Signature of an authorized person

Victoria Steel

Printed name

Director of Institutional Compliance

Title

Submit Application to:
South Dakota Secretary of State
500 East Capitol, Suite 204
Pierre, SD 57501

Or email us at:
SOS.EDU@state.sd.us

ATTACHMENT A

ADDITIONAL SITES AT WHICH APPLICANT OPERATES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

(Must be accompanied by an Application for Certificate of Authorization to
Provide Postsecondary Education or Amendment thereof.)

1. Columbia College-Redstone Arsenal

Name

3495 Patton Rd SW	Huntsville	AL	35805-4324
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Fort Irwin

Name

3rd St #1020	Fort Irwin	CA	92310-5060
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Imperial

Name

380 E. Aten Rd. #100	Imperial	CA	92251-9653
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-NAS Lemoore

Name

824 Hancock Cir #100	Lemoore	CA	93246-2000
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-JFTB Los Alamitos

Name

11206 Lexington Dr #110	Los Alamitos	CA	90720-5001
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-NB San Diego

Name

3975 Norman Scott Rd #114	San Diego	CA	92136-5523
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-MCRD San Diego
Name

4025 Tripoli Ave	San Diego	CA	92140-5290
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
2. Columbia College-San Luis Obispo
Name

Building 2700 at Cuesta College	San Luis Obispo	CA	93403-8106
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
3. Columbia College-Denver
Name

15500 East Centretrech Parkway	Aurora	CO	80011-9032
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
4. Columbia College-Jacksonville
Name

7077 Bonneval Rd. #114	Jacksonville	FL	32216-4050
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
5. Columbia College-NAS Jacksonville
Name

Building 110, Yorktown Avenue PO Box 441325	Jacksonville	FL	32222-0014
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
6. Columbia College-Orlando
Name

2600 Technology Dr #100	Orlando	FL	32804-8000
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Tavares PD
Name

<u>1565 Lane Park Cutoff</u>	<u>Tavares</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>32778-6100</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
2. Columbia College-Fort Stewart
Name

<u>100 Knowledge Dr #147</u>	<u>Fort Stewart</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>31314-5018</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
3. Columbia College-NSB Kings Bay
Name

<u>918 USS James Madison Rd</u>	<u>Kings Bay</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>31547-2533</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
4. Columbia College-Hunter Army Airfield
Name

<u>165 Markwell St</u>	<u>Savannah</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>31409-5033</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
5. Columbia College-USCG Base Honolulu
Name

<u>400 Sand Island Parkway</u>	<u>Honolulu</u>	<u>HI</u>	<u>96819</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
6. Columbia College-Crystal Lake
Name

<u>446 N Route 31</u>	<u>Crystal Lake</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>60012</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Elgin
Name

1700 Spartan Drive E205	Elgin	IL	60123-7193
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
2. Columbia College-Freeport
Name

2998 West Pearl City Rd	Freeport	IL	61032-9341
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
3. Columbia College-Naval Station Great Lakes
Name

2221 MacDonough Street, Bldg 617, Room 221	Great Lakes	IL	60088
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
4. Columbia College-Lake County
Name

1225 Tri-State Parkway, Suite 560	Gurnee	IL	60031
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
5. Columbia College-Grissom ARB
Name

7207 S Grissom Ave	Grissom ARB	IN	46971-1609
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
6. Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood-58th Trans BN
Name

1786 Michigan Ave	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	65473
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood-5th Engr BN/3rd Chem BDE

Name

11401 Nebraska Avenue	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	65473
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood

Name

4904 Constitution Ave., Suite 27	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	65473
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Jefferson City

Name

3314 Emerald Lane	Jefferson City	MO	65109
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-Kansas City

Name

4240 Blue Ridge Blvd., Suite 400	Kansas City	MO	64133-1702
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-Lake of the Ozarks

Name

900 College Blvd	Osage Beach	MO	65065
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-Rolla

Name

550 Blues Lake Parkway	Rolla	MO	65401
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Springfield
Name

<u>3271 East Battlefield Road, Suite 250</u>	<u>Springfield</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>65804</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
2. Columbia College-Springfield-TMobile
Name

<u>2645 N. Airport Plaza Ave.</u>	<u>Springfield</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>65803</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
3. Columbia College-St. Louis
Name

<u>4411 Woodson Road</u>	<u>St. Louis</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>63134</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
4. Columbia College-Waynesville
Name

<u>Townfield Plaza 320 Ichord Avenue, Suite A</u>	<u>Waynesville</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>65583</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
5. Columbia College-Whiteman AFB
Name

<u>511 Spirit Blvd., Bldg. 515 Suite 244</u>	<u>Whiteman AFB</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>65305</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
6. Columbia College-Minot AFB
Name

<u>Minot AFB Education Center 156 Missile Ave.</u>	<u>Minot AFB</u>	<u>ND</u>	<u>58705-5008</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Fort Sill
Name
4700 Mow-Way Rd #502 Fort Sill OK 73503-4493
Street Address City State ZIP+4
2. Columbia College-Mesquite
Name
802 South Buckner Blvd. Dallas TX 75217-4503
Street Address City State ZIP+4
3. Columbia College-NASJRB Fort Worth
Name
1564 Headquarters Ave. Fort Worth TX 76127
Street Address City State ZIP+4
4. Columbia College-NASJRB Fort Worth
Name
2525 Ridgmar Blvd. Fort Worth TX 76116
Street Address City State ZIP+4
5. Columbia College-Mesquite
Name
3737 Motley Dr. Mesquite TX 75150-2033
Street Address City State ZIP+4
6. Columbia College-Salt Lake City
Name
5250 South Commerce Dr., #300 Murray UT 84107-5322
Street Address City State ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-NS Everett
Name

2000 W Marine View Dr., #125	Everett	WA	98207-0001
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
2. Columbia College-Marysville
Name

13910 45th Ave NE #802	Marysville	WA	98271-7854
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
3. Columbia College-NAS Whidbey Island
Name

1045 W Midway St #117	Oak Harbor	WA	98278-4932
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
4. Columbia College-NB Guantanamo Bay
Name

PSC 1005, PO Box 422	FPO	Cuba	09593
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
5. _____
Name

Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
6. _____
Name

Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION

Statement of Accreditation Status

as of December 6, 2021

Please note: HLC is upgrading its database, and changes to institutional records made after December 6 may not be reflected below. Access to the most recent institutional information will be restored by January 2022.

Columbia College

1001 Rogers Street
Columbia, MO 65216
(800) 231-2391
www.ccis.edu

**Previous names: Christian College to Columbia College (1970)*

The information on this page describes the accreditation relationship between this institution and the Higher Learning Commission. General information about the Commission and the accreditation process is provided at the end of this document. In addition, links to definitions are provided for many of the terms used.

Accreditation Information

Current status: Accredited

Accreditation date(s): 01/01/1918 - 12/31/1918; 01/01/1923

Most recent reaffirmation of accreditation: 2012 - 2013

Next reaffirmation of accreditation: 2022 - 2023

Upcoming or In-Progress Reviews

Date	Event	Description
03/13/2023:	Comprehensive Evaluation	

Most Recent History With HLC

Date	Event	Description
11/20/2017:	Assurance Review	Review Accepted
02/08/2016:	Focused Visit	Accepted
04/16/2013:	Reaffirmation of Accreditation (PEAQ)	

General Institutional Information

This section provides brief, general information about the institution's organization and scope as self-reported by the institution through its annual Institutional Update to HLC.

All institutions are required to represent themselves accurately and consistently to multiple agencies. However, some information about institutions may appear differently among agencies depending on the timing of the institution's updates to those agencies or those agencies' definitions or standards. Such agencies should be consulted directly for further information.

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For example, an institution's "Control" (or "Type") may be categorized differently by the U.S. Department of Education for other purposes under its standards. Additional information can be found at nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/.

Control: Private NFP

Degree programs (number in each category): Associates (13), Bachelors (57), Masters (4)

Certificate programs (number offered): 5

Off-Campus Activities (This listing was last updated: 10/23/2021; the information may not be current.) The institution's accreditation includes courses and programs at:

Location	Campuses	Additional Locations
In-State:	None.	Fort Leonard Wood - Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Fort Leonard Wood - 58th Trans BN - Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Fort Leonard Wood - 5th Engr BN/3rd Chem BDE - Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Jefferson City - Jefferson City, MO; Kansas City - Kansas City, MO; Lake Ozark - Osage Beach, MO; Rolla - Rolla, MO; Springfield - Springfield, MO; Springfield - TMobile - Springfield, MO; St Louis - St Louis, MO; Waynesville - Waynesville, MO; Columbia College - Whiteman AFB - Whiteman AFB, MO;
Out-of-State:	None.	Columbia College - Denver - Aurora, CO; Columbia College - Denver - Centennial, CO; Crystal Lake - Crystal Lake, IL; Mesquite - Dallas, TX; Elgin - Elgin, IL; Columbia College - Ellsworth AFB - Ellsworth AFB, SD; NS Everett - Everett, WA; Columbia College - Fort Sill - Fort Sill, OK; Fort Stewart - Fort Stewart, GA; NASJRB Fort Worth - Fort Worth, TX; Freeport - Freeport, IL; Naval Station Great Lakes - Great Lakes, IL; Lake County - Gurnee, IL; USCG Base Honolulu - Honolulu, HI; Hunter Army Airfield - Hunter Army Airfield, GA; Columbia College, Imperial - Imperial, CA; Jacksonville - Jacksonville, FL; NAS Jacksonville - Jacksonville, FL; JFTB Los Alamitos - Los Alamitos, CA; Columbia College - Naval Station Everett - Marysville, WA; Mesquite - Mesquite, TX; Minot AFB - Minot AFB, ND; Salt Lake - Murray, UT; NAS Lemoore - NAS Lemoore, CA; NSB Kings Bay - NSB Kings Bay, GA; NAS Whidbey Island - Oak Harbor, WA; Orlando - Orlando, FL; Redstone Arsenal - Redstone Arsenal, AL; MCRD San Diego - San Diego, CA; Columbia College, Naval Base San Diego - San Diego, CA; San Luis Obispo - San Luis Obispo, CA; Tavares PD - Tavares, FL;
Out-of-U.S.:	None.	NB Guantanamo Bay - FPO, CUBA;

About HLC and Accreditation

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is an institutional accreditation agency that accredits degree-granting colleges and universities that are based in the United States.

Institutional accreditation validates the quality of an institution as a whole and evaluates multiple aspects of an institution, including its academic offerings, governance and administration, mission, finances, and resources. HLC's accreditation includes all degree levels as well as onsite and online course delivery. Institutions of higher education in the United States may also seek accreditation through specialized or programmatic accreditation agencies, which accredit programs, departments or schools within a college or university.

Institutions that HLC accredits are evaluated against its [Criteria for Accreditation](#), a set of standards that institutions must meet to receive and/or maintain accredited status. HLC's Criteria for Accreditation reflect a set of [Guiding Values](#).

The accreditation process is based on a system of [peer review](#). Approximately 2,000 educators from institutions of higher education serve as HLC peer reviewers conducting accreditation evaluations for other institutions. They make recommendations to HLC's decision-making bodies, which take final action on institutional evaluations and are made up of both peer reviewers and public members.

Evaluation Process

HLC accreditation assures quality by verifying that an institution (1) meets threshold requirements and (2) is engaged in continuous improvement. In addition, all institutions are required to data annually in the [Institutional Update](#), undergo annual monitoring of [financial and non-financial indicators](#), and adhere to HLC policies and practices, including Assumed Practices and Obligations of Membership.

Decision Making

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HLC's decision-making bodies evaluate and make decisions, called actions, on recommendations from peer review teams that review institutions for their compliance with HLC's Criteria for Accreditation and other requirements. The decision-making bodies are comprised of institutional representatives and public members. See [Decision-Making Bodies and Processes](#) for more information.

Public Information

HLC is committed to providing information to the public regarding accreditation decisions made regarding individual institutions.

Actions that are taken by HLC regarding an institution's accreditation status are disclosed to the public. In cases of reaffirming continued accreditation, placing an institution on or reviewing a sanction, or withdrawing accreditation, the Action Letter issued to the institution is made available for viewing on the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status, found by searching the institution's name through HLC's online directory. Public Disclosure Notices are also issued and posted in the directory in cases of sanction, assigning or removing an institutional designation, resignation of accreditation or candidacy, institutional closing or withdrawal of accreditation by HLC. The PDN provides the public with the most applicable information from the posted Action Letter. HLC decision-making outcomes also are summarized on the HLC Institutional Actions page.

Complaints Against Institutions

HLC has a formal complaint process, consisting of an online complaint form on the HLC website, for faculty, students and other parties to submit information regarding a member institution's potential non-compliance with HLC requirements. HLC does not accept complaints through mail, email or over the phone. As stated in [HLC policy](#), the complaints process is designed to enable HLC to review, in a timely and fair manner, information that suggests potential substantive non-compliance with an institution's ability to meet HLC requirements.

