

WASC Senior College and University Commission Statement on the Status of La Sierra University

On June 26, 2026, the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) voted to issue a Warning for La Sierra University (LSU).

Warning reflects the Commission's finding that an institution fails to meet one or more of the WSCUC Standards of Accreditation. The Commission has determined that La Sierra University is not in compliance with WSCUC Standard 2. When the Commission finds that an institution fails to meet one or more of the Standards of Accreditation, it is required to notify the institution of these findings and give the institution a period of time to correct the deficiencies. Under the Commission's policies the timeframe may not exceed two years. It is the responsibility of the Commission to determine, at the end of the sanction period, whether the institution has made the necessary corrections and has come into compliance with Commission Standards.

The accredited status of La Sierra University continues during the Warning period and students' status within the college is not affected by this sanction.

The Commission's decision to impose Warning on La Sierra University is subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Commission Action Letter dated July 9, 2026. This document is available on the WSCUC website. Anyone who has questions about La Sierra University's accreditation status should contact Sam McBride, Accreditation Liaison Officer at La Sierra University.