

## **Distance Education Accrediting Commission**

### **Public Notice: Show Cause Directive**

**September 7, 2023**

The DEAC Accrediting Commission provides written notice to the U.S. Secretary of Education, the appropriate state licensing or authorizing agencies and accrediting agencies at the same time it notifies the institution of a decision to direct an institution to show cause why accreditation should not be withdrawn. In addition, DEAC provides written notice to the public on its website of the decision within 24 hours of the decision and provides a brief statement summarizing the reasons for the decision. (Section XV., Processes and Procedures, *DEAC Accreditation Handbook*). At its September 5, 2023 meeting, the Commission reviewed the show cause directive in effect for following institution and to expand the scope of the show cause directive to include DEAC Accreditation Standard XI, Financial Responsibility:

**Aspen University**  
**4615 East Elwood Street, Suite 100**  
**Phoenix, AZ 85040**

The action letter communicating the Commission's decision is available [here](#).

AU is required to provide DEAC with an updated Teach Out Plan and Teach Out Agreement in accordance with Section XXI.C, Processes and Procedures, *DEAC Accreditation Handbook*.

AU remains accredited by DEAC while the Show Cause Directive is in effect.