

**IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM COMPONENT
COMPANION SELF-EVALUATION REPORT**

**COMPLIANCE ASSESSMENT FORM**

# Instructions

The questions on this Compliance Assessment Form are designed to assist on-site team evaluators in determining whether institutions meet the intent of DEAC’s Accreditation Standards. Evaluators are not limited to the questions on this rating form. This rating form is for the evaluator’s use only. Evaluators do not need to send this rating form to DEAC.

**Note:** This compliance assessment form is for review of an institution’s ongoing implementation of in-residence activities via the institution’s In-Residence Program Component – Companion Self-Evaluation Report. A separate compliance assessment form is available for review of an institution’s Addition of In-Residence Program Component Post Approval Report.

DEAC evaluators decide whether institutions meet, partially meet, or do not meet accreditation standards. For any ratings of “partially meets” or “does not meet”, the evaluator must provide a “required action” that instructs the institution on what it needs to provide in order to demonstrate compliance with the identified standard. Evaluators should be careful to review institutions based only on the accreditation standards. Any recommendations beyond the scope of the accreditation standards should be provided in the suggestions section.

The In-Residence Program Evaluator is responsible for reviewing institutions against Accreditation Standards VII, IX, and XII.

Evaluators should refer to the *DEAC Accreditation Handbook and Guide for Self-Evaluation* for any further clarification on institutional requirements.

# In-Residence Program Component Compliance Assessment Form

[ ]  Initial [ ]  Renewal [ ]  Special Visit

Institution Name: Insert institution name

Date of Visit: Date of on-site visit

Name of Evaluator: Evaluator name

Position on Team: Position on team

On-site Team Chair: Name of on-site team chair

Date Report Due to Chair: Date report is due

# Accreditation Standards

Standard XIII: Fair Practices

1. **Refunds**

Institutions must implement fair and equitable refund policies that meet or exceed the requirements of their government regulators, including consumer rights and protection policies. In the absence of such requirements, the institution follows DEAC’s refund policy requirements in Appendix XIV. Refund policies include procedures for students who enroll but do not start coursework and students failing to persist or make satisfactory academic progress. Refund policies must be clearly stated and transparently disclosed, including the use of sample calculations. Any money due to a student must be refunded within 30 days of the student’s notice of cancellation or withdrawal; refunds due to funding agencies must be returned in compliance with their respective requirements.

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| **Questions** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** |
| Does the institution’s refund policy for in-residence program components and other related costs comply with Appendix XIV.3? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| Does the institution’s refund policy for in-residence program components and other related costs include an adequate sample refund calculation? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| **Standard XIII.D. – Meets, Partially Meets, Does Not Meet, or Not Applicable** | Choose a finding. |

**Comments:** Provide comments to support the finding based on the institution’s responses and evidence provided prior to and during the on-site visit.

**Required Actions:** Provide the required actions necessary for the institution to demonstrate compliance with the accreditation standards. Each required action must correspond to an accreditation standard or a core component.

**Suggestions:** Suggestions are those recommendations that are not required to meet minimum accreditation standards but are provided to the institution as an opportunity for growth and improvement.

1. **Advertising and Promotion**

The institution conforms to ethical practices in all advertising and promotion to prospective students. The institution’s processes and procedures ensure that all advertisements, website content, and other marketing collateral is truthful, accurate, and clearly stated. The institution complies with DEAC’s Catalog Disclosures Checklist and DEAC’s Website Disclosures Checklist.

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| **Questions** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** |
| Are students adequately informed of all required in-residence program components and additional associated costs? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| **Standard XIII.F. – Meets, Partially Meets, Does Not Meet, or Not Applicable** | Choose a finding. |

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Standard XV: Facilities and Records Maintenance

1. **In-Residence Program Component Facilities**

The institution provides appropriate facilities for students participating in in-residence learning experiences. The facilities comply with all state and federal requirements. The institution maintains adequate insurance to protect students, faculty, and staff while participating in in- residence learning.

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| **Questions** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** |
| Are the institution’s training facilities for students who participate in in-residence learning experiences adequate? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| If applicable, does the institution publish appropriate information on housing for student review? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| Does the institution adequately verify that the facilities comply with all state and federal requirements (or their equivalent for non-U.S. institutions)? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| Does the institution maintain adequate insurance to protect students, faculty, and staff while participating in in-residence learning experiences? |[ ] [ ] [ ]
| **Standard XV.E. – Meets, Partially Meets, Does Not Meet, or Not Applicable** | Choose a finding. |

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