

Distance Education Accrediting

Commission Public Notice: Denial of Initial

Accreditation March 7, 2025

The DEAC Accrediting Commission will provide 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 that the decision to deny accreditation is final. In addition, DEAC will provide written notice to the public on its website of the decision within 24 hours of the final decision and provide a brief statement summarizing the reasons for the decision. (Section XV.F., Processes and Procedures, DEAC *Accreditation Handbook*)

At its January 24, 2025 meeting, the Commission voted to deny the following institution initial accreditation.

ADEN University
2850 Douglas Rd Suite 304
Miami, FL 33134

The institution did not elect to appeal the decision; therefore, the decision is final and is effective as of March 6, 2025. ADEN is afforded the opportunity to provide official comments regarding the Commission's decision and was provided written notice that any comments are due to DEAC by March 21, 2025. (Section XV.G., Processes and Procedures, DEAC *Accreditation Handbook*) If DEAC receives an official comment from ADEN University, DEAC will publish the comment.

The standards that are the subject of the Commission's adverse decision are listed below. A copy of the adverse action decision letter is available [here](#).

Standard XI. Financial Stability and Sustainability

The institution maintains adequate administrative staff and other resources to operate effectively as a going concern and is not exposed to undue or insurmountable risk. Any risk that exists is adequately monitored, manageable, and insured. In the event the financial operations of the institution are supported by a parent company or a third party, audited or reviewed financial statements are provided by the supporting entity to demonstrate that the supporting entity possesses sufficient financial resources to provide the institution continued financial sustainability, as well as the commitment to do so. If the institution's financial performance is included within the parent corporation's statements, a supplemental schedule for the individual institution is appended to the parent statement.

Standard X: Institutional Governance

The institution's owners, governing board members, officials, and administrators possess appropriate qualifications and experience for their positions and ability to oversee institutional operations. The owners, governing board members, officials, and administrators are knowledgeable and experienced in one or more aspects of educational administration, finance, teaching/learning, and distance study. The institution's policies clearly delineate the duties and responsibilities of owners, governing board members, officials, and administrators. Individuals in leadership and managerial positions are qualified by education and experience.

Standard VII.A., Advertising and Promotion

The institution conforms to ethical practices in all advertising and promotion to prospective students. All advertisements, website content, and promotional literature are truthful, accurate, clear, and readily accessible to the public; proactively states that programs are offered via distance education; and appropriately discloses occupational opportunities as applicable. Catalogs, enrollment agreements, manuals, and websites list the institution's full name and physical address. At a minimum, all print advertisements and promotional literature include the institution's city, state, and website home page URL where, in compliance with DEAC's website disclosures checklist, the institution's physical address is provided. All web-based advertisements provide a link to the institution's website home page URL. All institutional social media account profiles provide a link to the institution's website home page URL. The institution complies with the DEAC's catalog disclosures checklist and DEAC's website disclosures checklist.