



## Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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November 17, 2017

Dr. Joyce F. Brown  
President  
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Dear Dr. Brown:

At its session on November 16, 2017, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To accept the Periodic Review Report, to reaffirm accreditation, and to commend the institution for the quality of the report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2021-2022.

This action is an affirming action, as explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*, which is available on the Commission's website.

Enclosed is a copy of the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) for your review. If any of the factual information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

In accordance with Commission policy, the accreditation status of the institution must be accurately represented. Please ensure that published references to your institution's candidate status or accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) are accurate and include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency, and the effective date (month and year) when status was granted. Candidate for Accreditation is a status with the Commission that indicates that an institution has achieved membership and is progressing toward, but is not assured of, accreditation.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Fashion Institute of Technology. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Kushnood Haq, Vice President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary L. Wirt', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gary L. Wirt, Ed.D.  
Chair

c: Chancellor, State University of New York System Administration



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## STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

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## INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

**Enrollment (Headcount):** 9096 Undergraduate ; 176 Graduate

**Control:** Public

**Affiliation:** Government-State Systems - The State University of New York

**2015 Carnegie Classification:** Baccalaureate/Associate's Colleges - Mixed Baccalaureate/Associate's

**Approved Degree Levels:** Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (< 1 year), Postsecondary Award/Cert/Diploma (>=1 year, < 2 years), Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's;

**Distance Education Programs:** Fully Approved

**Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education:**

### Instructional Locations

**Branch Campuses:** None

**Additional Locations:** Polimoda, FIT in Florence, Italy; Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy; Songdo Global University Campus, Songdo Moonwha-ro 119, Yeonsu-Gu, South Korea.

**Other Instructional Sites:** None

## ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

**Status:** Member since 1957

**Last Reaffirmed:** November 16, 2017

**Most Recent Commission Action:**

November 16, 2017: To accept the Periodic Review Report, to reaffirm accreditation, and to commend the institution for the quality of the report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2021-2022.

**Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:**

November 15, 2012: To reaffirm accreditation and to commend the institution for the quality of its self-study process and report. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

August 29, 2016: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request. To include provisionally the additional location at Songdo Global University Campus, Songdo Moonwha-ro 119, Yeonsu-Gu, Incheon South Korea 406-840 within the scope of the institution's accreditation pending a site visit within six months of the commencement of operations. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations at this additional location. Operations at the additional location must commence within one calendar year from the date of this action. The Periodic Review Report is due June 1, 2017.

**Next Self-Study Evaluation:** 2021 - 2022

**Date Printed:** November 17, 2017

**DEFINITIONS**

**Branch Campus** - A location of an institution that is geographically apart and independent of the main campus of the institution. The location is independent if the location: offers courses in educational programs leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential; has its own faculty and administrative or supervisory organization; and has its own budgetary and hiring authority.

**Additional Location** - A location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of an educational program. **ANYA** ("Approved but Not Yet Active") indicates that the location is included within the scope of accreditation but has not yet begun to offer courses. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have begun at this location.

**Other Instructional Sites** - A location, other than a branch campus or additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit.

**Distance Education Programs** - Fully Approved, Approved (one program approved) or Not Approved indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer diploma/certificate/degree programs via distance education (programs for which students could meet 50% or more of the requirements of the program by taking distance education courses). Per the Commission's Substantive Change policy, Commission approval of the first two Distance Education

programs is required to be "Fully Approved." If only one program is approved by the Commission, the specific name of the program will be listed in parentheses after "Approved."

Commission actions are explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*.

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