# ACCREDITATIONS AND APPROVALS

### **ACCREDITATIONS**

#### Accreditation Statement NECHE

MCLA is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

Accreditation of an institution of higher education by the Commission indicates that it meets or exceeds criteria for the assessment of institutional quality decennially through a peer review process. An accredited institution is one which the Commission deems has the necessary resources available to achieve its stated purposes through its educational programs, is substantially doing so, and gives reasonable evidence that it will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Institutional integrity is also addressed through accreditation.

Accreditation by the Commission is voluntary and applies to the institution as a whole. As such it provides assurances about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend MCLA.

#### **Current Accreditation Status**

Colleges in the New England region have a regular ten-year cycle of review by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

MCLA's most recent comprehensive evaluation began with a rigorous self-study process in 2022-2023 and culminated with a comprehensive evaluation campus visit in fall 2023. The Commission wrote to President Birge in May 2024 to convey its decision that MCLA be accredited for another 10-year cycle.

MCLA's next comprehensive evaluation is scheduled for the spring of 2033.

Inquiries regarding the accreditation status by the Commission should be directed to the Office of Academic Affairs at (413) 662-5242.

Contact information for the NECHE: New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) (https:// www.neche.org/) 301 Edgewater Place, Suite 210 Wakefield, MA 01880 781-425-7785 or info@neche.org Website: https://acbsp.org/ Email: info@acbsp.org

# JRCERT

The Health Sciences - Radiologic Technology Concentration, B.S. is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT). The program has a full 8-year accreditation with the next review date in September 2024.

Contact information for the JRCERT: Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) 20 North Wacker Drive, Ste 2850 Chicago, IL 60606-3182 Phone: 312-704-5300 Fax: 312-704-5304 Website: www.jrcert.org (https://www.jrcert.org/) E-mail: mail@jrcert.org

# **APPROVALS**

#### Massachusetts Board of Higher Education -Commonwealth Honors Program

MCLA's Commonwealth Honors Program undergoes a rigorous accreditation process involving a comprehensive self-study, and site visits, with the final approval given by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education.

#### **MABORN (Initial Approval)**

The MCLA nursing program prepares graduates to take the National Council Licensing Examination in Nursing for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN), a required credential for nursing practice. On March 28, 2023, MCLA was granted Initial Approval status through the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (MABORN) for the operation of its Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Program. Full approval will be sought once the first nursing cohort graduates in May 2027.

Board of Registration in Nursing

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## ACBSP

The Department of Business Administration and Economics offers a fouryear program leading to a Bachelor of Science in business administration that is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP).

Contact information for the ACBSP U.S. World Headquarters:

Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs 11520 West 119th Street Overland Park, KS 66213 Phone: (913) 339-9356 Fax: (913) 339-6226