Committee on Accreditation Actions:

April 2021
The Committee on Accreditation of the American Board of Funeral Service Education took the following actions regarding these funeral service/mortuary science education programs at the April 13-14, 2021 Zoom meeting:

**Initial Accreditation.** Initial Accreditation is granted for three years.

- **Columbus Technical College**, Columbus, GA
  - with the following requirements to be addressed:
    - Identify lab components for Embalming and Restorative Art in course descriptions.
    - Describe the method used to compute faculty release time.

- **Cape Cod Community College**, West Barnstable, MA
  - Received approval for its own program after facilitating a teach-out of students displaced when Mt. Ida College closed in 2018.

- **Goodwin University**, E. Hartford, CT
  - Funeral Service program is now accredited on its own merits after accepting the transfer of an existing program when Lincoln College closed in 2018.

**Return to good standing.**

- **E. Mississippi Community College**, Scooba, MS
  - Program will submit an updated assessment plan by February 15, 2022.

**Probation.**

- **American Academy McAllister Institute** – New York, NY
  - Probation status requires the following issues to be addressed by March 1, 2022:
    - Verify accuracy of 2020 Annual Report data
    - Verify compliance with accreditation standards that took effect January 1, 2020
    - Standard 1 – Internal structure and organization
    - Standard 2 – Program Learning Outcomes
    - Standard 3 – Publish required accreditation statement in consistent fashion.
    - Standard 6 – Verify student – teacher ratios.
    - Standard 10 – Demonstrate that the program assessment plan is in compliance with the standard.

- **Southwest Tennessee Community College**, Memphis, TN
  - Candidacy status continued on Probation. Decision on Initial Accreditation to be addressed during June 15, 2021 meeting.
**Candidacy.**

**North Shore Community College,** Danvers, MA
Candidacy approved for one year.

Other actions taken by the Committee on Accreditation did not affect the accredited status of the programs involved.

The following institutions/programs will be considered for scheduled re-accreditation and initial accreditation through a formal review by the Committee on Accreditation at a special meeting on June 15, 2021 and at the October 14-15, 2021 meeting in Nashville, TN.

**June 15, 2021**

**Re-accreditation:**
- **Tidewater Community College,** Virginia Beach, VA

**Initial Accreditation:**
- **Southwest Tennessee Community College,** Memphis, TN

**Candidacy:**
- **Arkansas State University** – Mountain Home, AR

**October 14-15, 2021**

**Re-accreditation:**
- **Chandler-Gilbert Community College,** Mesa, AZ
- **Florida State College,** Jacksonville, FL
- **Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service,** Decatur, GA
- **John A. Gupton College,** Nashville, TN
- **Milwaukee Area Technical College,** Milwaukee, WI
- **Piedmont Technical College,** Greenwood, SC

The above schedule is subject to change.

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Public comment regarding the above may be submitted to the ABFSE office prior to September 1, 2021.

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