

State of South Dakota

Office of the Secretary of State

RENEWAL CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION Postsecondary Education

I, **Monae L. Johnson**, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that

Columbia College

continues to meet the requirements to provide postsecondary education in the State of South Dakota pursuant to South Dakota Codified Law 13-48. This registration has an effective date of **July 1, 2023** and will be valid through **June 30, 2024**.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this day, June 16, 2023.

Monae L. Johnson

Monae L. Johnson
Secretary of State

SD Secretary of State Office
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Pierre, SD 57501
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RENEWAL
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

SDCL 13-48

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1. Name of Applicant (the institutional name under which postsecondary educational programs are provided):

Columbia College-Ellsworth AFB

2. Applicant's Main Address (Additional sites listed on Attachment A):

1001 Rogers Street Columbia MO 65216-0001

Actual Street Address City State ZIP+4

Mailing Address, if Different from Street Address City State ZIP+4

<https://www.ccis.edu/>

Website

3. Contact Person: Dusti Schnedler Assistant Director, Institutional Compliance

Name Title

(573) 875-3960

Telephone Number Fax Number

dschnedler@ccis.edu

Email Address

4. Applicant's PHYSICAL South Dakota Address:

1000 Ellsworth Drive, #2400 Ellsworth AFB SD 57706-4943

Actual Street Address City State ZIP+4

Mailing Address, if Different from Street Address City State ZIP+4

5. Does the Applicant operate at sites other than the addresses stated above? YES NO

If "YES", please be advised that Attachment A to this application must be completed, which shall comprise part of this application, and any subsequent changes to the information provided in Attachment A must be submitted with an amendment application to the Secretary of State Office, within thirty (30) days of such change.

6. Does the Applicant have a parent organization (non-profit, corporate, or otherwise)? YES NO

If "YES", please indicate the following:

Parent Organization Name

Street Address City State ZIP+4

7. Is the Applicant an instrumentality of the State of South Dakota under the jurisdiction of the South Dakota Board of Regents?

YES NO

If "NO", please indicate whether the Applicant is either (check one of the following):

An instrumentality of another state (please list the state agency which has jurisdiction over Applicant)

State		Agency	
Street Address		City	State ZIP+4
Contact Phone Number		Fax Number	

Legally established to operate in South Dakota as a business entity

FN206593
South Dakota Business ID
Columbia College
South Dakota Business Name

8. Is the Applicant accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education?

YES - Please include a COPY of your Accreditation.

If "YES", please indicate the following:

Higher Learning Commission			
Accrediting Agency			
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500	Chicago	IL	60604
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
Effective date of most recent grant of accreditation:	6/5/2023		
Term or expiration date of most recent accreditation:	6/15/2033		

NO

If "NO", Application submission MUST include documentation of an affiliation agreement whose terms make another postsecondary institution, which is accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, responsible for awarding academic credit and educational credentials to its students and maintaining transcripts for such students:

9. Has the Applicant ever been ordered to cease operations?

YES

If "YES", please indicate the following:

Jurisdiction

Agency that made the order

The date ordered to cease operations: _____

Dates the cease operation was in effect: _____

Is the cease operations order still in effect?

YES

NO

NO

The undersigned acknowledges that Applicant is required to notify the Secretary of State Office within thirty (30) days of a change in information set forth in this Application, including any changes in information set forth in any Attachments or other accompanying information. The undersigned has executed the foregoing document and, under penalties of perjury, certifies that the information provided herein, and in support thereof, is true and correct.

The application must be signed by an authorized officer of the postsecondary educational institution. No person may execute this report knowing it is false in any material respect. Any violation may be subject to a criminal penalty (SDCL 22-39-36).

Dated 6/14/2023



Signature of an authorized person

Victoria Steel

Printed name

Director of Institutional Compliance

Title

Submit Application to:
South Dakota Secretary of State
500 East Capitol, Suite 204
Pierre, SD 57501

Or email us at:
SOS.EDU@state.sd.us

ATTACHMENT A

ADDITIONAL SITES AT WHICH APPLICANT OPERATES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

(Must be accompanied by an Application for Certificate of Authorization to
Provide Postsecondary Education or Amendment thereof.)

1. Columbia College-Redstone Arsenal
Name

3495 Patton Rd SW	Huntsville	AL	35805-4324
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Fort Irwin
Name

3rd St #1020	Fort Irwin	CA	92310-5060
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Imperial
Name

380 E. Aten Rd #100	Imperial	CA	92251-9653
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-JFTB Los Alamitos
Name

11206 Lexington Dr #110	Los Alamitos	CA	90720-5001
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-MCRD San Diego
Name

4025 Tripoli Ave	San Diego	CA	92140-5290
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-NB San Diego
Name

3975 Norman Scott Rd #114	San Diego	CA	92136-5523
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-USCG San Pedro
Name

1001 S Seaside Ave #31	San Pedro	CA	90731-7333
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Denver
Name

15500 East Centretch Parkway	Aurora	CO	80011-9032
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Jacksonville
Name

7077 Bonneval Rd #114	Jacksonville	FL	32216-4050
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-NAS Jacksonville
Name

Building 110, Yorktown Avenue PO Box 441325	Jacksonville	FL	32222-0014
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-Orlando
Name

2600 Technology Dr #100	Orlando	FL	32804-8000
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-Tavares PD
Name

1565 Lane Park Cutoff	Tavares	FL	32778-6100
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Fort Stewart
Name

<u>100 Knowledge Dr #147</u>	<u>Fort Stewart</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>31314-5018</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Hunter Army Airfield
Name

<u>165 Markwell St</u>	<u>Savannah</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>31409-5033</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-NSB Kings Bay
Name

<u>918 USS James Madison Rd</u>	<u>Kings Bay</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>31547-2533</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-Crystal Lake
Name

<u>446 N. Route 31</u>	<u>Crystal Lake</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>60012-3709</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-Elgin
Name

<u>1700 Spartan Drive E205</u>	<u>Elgin</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>60123-7193</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-Freeport
Name

<u>2998 West Pearl City Rd</u>	<u>Freeport</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>61032-9341</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Lake County
Name

1225 Tri-State Parkway, Suite 560	Gurnee	IL	60031-9184
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Grissom ARB
Name

7207 S Grissom Ave	Grissom ARB	IN	46971-1609
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood - 58th Trans BN
Name

1786 Michigan Ave	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	65473-8900
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood-5th Engr BN/3rd Chem BDE
Name

11401 Nebraska Avenue	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	65473
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood
Name

4904 Constitution Ave. Suite 27	Fort Leonard Wood	MO	65473-9125
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-Jefferson City
Name

3314 Emerald Lane	Jefferson City	MO	65109-6877
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Kansas City
Name

4240 Blue Ridge Blvd., Suite 400	Kansas City	MO	64133-1702
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Lake of the Ozarks
Name

900 College Blvd	Osage Beach	MO	65065-8411
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Rolla
Name

550 Blues Lake Parkway	Rolla	MO	65401-8587
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-Springfield
Name

3271 East Battlefield Road, Suite 250	Springfield	MO	65804-4197
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-St. Louis
Name

4411 Woodson Road	St. Louis	MO	63134-3701
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-Waynesville
Name

Townfield Plaza 320 Ichord Avenue, Suite A	Waynesville	MO	65583-3600
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Whiteman AFB
Name

<u>511 Spirit Blvd, Bldg. 515 Suite 244</u>	<u>Whiteman AFB</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>65305-5411</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Minot AFB
Name

<u>156 Missile Ave, Education Center</u>	<u>Minot AFB</u>	<u>ND</u>	<u>58705-5008</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-Fort Sill
Name

<u>4700 Mow-Way Rd #502</u>	<u>Fort Sill</u>	<u>OK</u>	<u>73503-4493</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. Columbia College-NASJRB Fort Worth
Name

<u>2525 Ridgmar Blvd</u>	<u>Fort Worth</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>76116-4524</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

5. Columbia College-NASJRB Fort Worth
Name

<u>3250 Desert Storm Rd</u>	<u>Fort Worth</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>76127-1028</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. Columbia College-Mesquite
Name

<u>3737 Motley Dr</u>	<u>Mesquite</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>75150-2033</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

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1. Columbia College-Salt Lake City
Name

<u>5250 South Commerce Dr #300</u>	<u>Murray</u>	<u>UT</u>	<u>84107-5322</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

2. Columbia College-Marysville
Name

<u>13910 45th Ave NE #802</u>	<u>Marysville</u>	<u>WA</u>	<u>98271-7854</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

3. Columbia College-NAS Whidbey Island
Name

<u>1045 W Midway St #117</u>	<u>Oak Harbor</u>	<u>WA</u>	<u>98278-4932</u>
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

4. _____
Name

Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
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6. _____
Name

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Statement of Accreditation Status

as of June 9, 2023

Columbia College

1001 Rogers Street
Columbia, MO 65216
(800) 231-2391
www.ccis.edu

**Previous names: Institution name changed from Christian College to Columbia College. (1970)*

The information on this page describes the accreditation relationship between this institution and the Higher Learning Commission. General information about the Commission and the accreditation process is provided at the end of this document. In addition, links to definitions are provided for many of the terms used.

Accreditation Information

Current status: Accredited

Accreditation date(s): 01/01/1918 -
12/31/1918
01/01/1923 - Present

Most recent reaffirmation of accreditation: 2022 - 2023

Next reaffirmation of accreditation: 2032 - 2033

Upcoming or In-Progress Reviews

Date	Event	Description
2026 - 2027:	Assurance Review	
2032 - 2033:	Comprehensive Evaluation	

Most Recent History With HLC

Date	Event	Description
06/05/2023:	Comprehensive Evaluation	Reaffirm Accreditation
11/22/2022:	Monitoring, Non-Financial Indicator	Accepted
10/29/2021:	Monitoring, Non-Financial Indicator	
11/20/2017:	Assurance Review	Review Completed
02/08/2016:	Focused Visit	Accepted
04/16/2013:	Reaffirmation of Accreditation (PEAQ)	

General Institutional Information

This section provides brief, general information about the institution's organization and scope as self-reported by the institution through its annual Institutional Update to HLC.

The U.S. Department of Education publishes a College Scorecard (available at <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>), which allows students to search and compare colleges: their fields of study, costs, admissions, results, and more. Additional information can also be found at nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/.

Please note: All institutions are required to represent themselves accurately and consistently to multiple agencies. However, some information about institutions may appear differently among agencies depending on the timing of the institution's updates to those agencies or those agencies' definitions or standards. Such agencies should be consulted directly for further information. For example, an institution's "Control" (or "Type") may be categorized differently by the U.S. Department of Education for other purposes under its standards.

Control: Private NFP

Degree programs (number in each category): Associates (15), Bachelors (66), Masters (7)

Certificate programs (number offered): 13

Off-Campus Activities (This listing was last updated: 04/07/2023.) The institution's accreditation includes courses and programs at these approved sites. (This includes sites that are active and inactive (meaning approved but currently without students):

Location	Campuses	Additional Locations
In-State:	None.	Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood - Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood - 58th Trans BN - Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri Columbia College-Fort Leonard Wood - 5th Engr BN/3rd Chem BDE - Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri Columbia College-Jefferson City - Jefferson City, Missouri Columbia College-Kansas City - Kansas City, Missouri Columbia College-Lake of the Ozarks - Osage Beach, Missouri Columbia College-Rolla - Rolla, Missouri Columbia College-Springfield - Springfield, Missouri Columbia College-St Louis - St Louis, Missouri Columbia College-Waynesville - Waynesville, Missouri

Location	Campuses	Additional Locations
Out-of-State:	None.	Columbia College-Crystal Lake - Crystal Lake, Illinois Columbia College-Denver - Aurora, Colorado Columbia College-Elgin - Elgin, Illinois Columbia College-Ellsworth AFB - Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota Columbia College-Fort Irwin - Fort Irwin, California Columbia College-Fort Sill - Fort Sill, Oklahoma Columbia College-Fort Stewart - Fort Stewart, Georgia Columbia College-Freeport - Freeport, Illinois Columbia College-Grissom ARB - Grissom ARB, Indiana Columbia College-Hunter Army Airfield - Savannah, Georgia Columbia College-Imperial - Imperial, California Columbia College-Jacksonville - Jacksonville, Florida Columbia College-JFTB Los Alamitos - Los Alamitos, California Columbia College-Lake County - Gurnee, Illinois Columbia College-Marysville - Marysville, Washington Columbia College-MCRD San Diego - San Diego, California Columbia College-Mesquite - Mesquite, Texas Columbia College-Minot AFB - Minot AFB, North Dakota Columbia College-NAS Jacksonville - Jacksonville, Florida Columbia College-NAS Whidbey Island - Oak Harbor, Washington Columbia College-NASJRB Fort Worth - Fort Worth, Texas Columbia College-NASJRB Fort Worth - Fort Worth, Texas Columbia College-NB San Diego - San Diego, California Columbia College-NSB Kings Bay - Kings Bay, Georgia Columbia College-Orlando - Orlando, Florida Columbia College-Redstone Arsenal - Huntsville, Alabama Columbia College-Salt Lake City - Murray, Utah Columbia College-Tavares PD - Tavares, Florida Columbia College-USCG San Pedro - San Pedro, California
Out-of-U.S.:	None.	None.

About HLC and Accreditation

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is an institutional accreditation agency that accredits degree-granting colleges and universities that are based in the United States.

Institutional accreditation validates the quality of an institution as a whole and evaluates multiple aspects of an institution, including its academic offerings, governance and administration, mission, finances, and resources. HLC's accreditation includes all degree levels as well as onsite and online

course delivery. Institutions of higher education in the United States may also seek accreditation through specialized or programmatic accreditation agencies, which accredit programs, departments or schools within a college or university.

Institutions that HLC accredits are evaluated against its Criteria for Accreditation, a set of standards that institutions must meet to receive and/or maintain accredited status. HLC's Criteria for Accreditation reflect a set of Guiding Values.

The accreditation process is based on a system of peer review. Approximately 2,000 educators from institutions of higher education serve as HLC peer reviewers conducting accreditation evaluations for other institutions. They make recommendations to HLC's decision-making bodies, which take final action on institutional evaluations and are made up of both peer reviewers and public members.

Evaluation Process

HLC accreditation assures quality by verifying that an institution (1) meets threshold requirements and (2) is engaged in continuous improvement. In addition, all institutions are required to data annually in the Institutional Update, undergo annual monitoring of financial and non-financial indicators, and adhere to HLC policies and practices, including Assumed Practices and Obligations of Membership.

Decision Making

HLC's decision-making bodies evaluate and make decisions, called actions, on recommendations from peer review teams that review institutions for their compliance with HLC's Criteria for Accreditation and other requirements. The decision-making bodies are comprised of institutional representatives and public members. See Decision-Making Bodies and Processes for more information.

Public Information

HLC is committed to providing information to the public regarding accreditation decisions made regarding individual institutions.

Actions that are taken by HLC regarding an institution's accreditation status are disclosed to the public. In cases of reaffirming continued accreditation, placing an institution on or reviewing a sanction, or withdrawing accreditation, the Action Letter issued to the institution is made available for viewing on the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status, found by searching the institution's name through HLC's online directory. Public Disclosure Notices are also issued and posted in the directory in cases of sanction, assigning or removing an institutional designation, resignation of accreditation or candidacy, institutional closing or withdrawal of accreditation by HLC. The PDN provides the public with the most applicable information from the posted Action Letter. HLC decision-making outcomes also are summarized on the HLC Institutional Actions page.

Complaints Against Institutions

HLC has a formal complaint process, consisting of an online complaint form on the HLC website, for faculty, students and other parties to submit information regarding a member institution's potential non-compliance with HLC requirements. HLC does not accept complaints through mail, email or over the phone. As stated in [HLC policy](#), the complaints process is designed to enable HLC to review, in a timely and fair manner, information that suggests potential substantive non-compliance with an institution's ability to meet HLC requirements.

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