

**Commission to Terminate City College of San Francisco's Accreditation
Action Effective July 31, 2014 -- Pending Review & Appeal**

NOVATO, Calif. – 3 July 2013: After a careful deliberation, members of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) have voted to terminate City College of San Francisco's (CCSF) accreditation effective July 31, 2014. This action follows a one-year period in which the institution was on Show Cause and required to correct deficiencies found by a 2012 evaluation team. The terminate date allows the College 12 months to cease its accredited operations and take steps to ensure students can complete their certificates and degrees.

However, the action to terminate is not yet final. The College may request a review by July 31, 2013. If the Commission upholds the termination decision during the review, CCSF will then have the right to appeal the Commission's decision. ***CCSF remains accredited and on Show Cause during this period of review and appeal.***

At its June 2013 semi-annual meeting, the Commission determined that CCSF had fully addressed just two of the 14 recommendations for change and corrected few of the deficiencies identified in the Commission's July 2012 Show Cause sanction letter. The Commission cited the lack of financial accountability as well as institutional deficiencies in the area of leadership and governance as the main obstacles to the College's turnaround. Additionally, CCSF is significantly out of compliance with many Accreditation Standards, including standards for instructional programs, student support services, library and learning support services, and facilities.

"While many College personnel have worked hard to correct deficiencies, CCSF would need more time and more cohesive institutional-wide effort to fully comply with accreditation requirements," says ACCJC Chair Sherrill Amador.

Throughout CCSF's accreditation history, including one period of Warning and notably since 2006, the ACCJC has provided extensive professional advice and support to CCSF to help it come into full compliance with Standards. ACCJC is committed to working with the College, California Community College Chancellor Brice Harris, and other appropriate parties to make the necessary transitions, according to Amador.

The Commission also evaluated accreditation status of 44 other western region colleges and institutions. Assessments were made based on reports and supporting documents provided by colleges and peer evaluation teams.

About ACCJC

The Accrediting Commission for Community & Junior Colleges evaluates and supports the improvement of the quality of post-secondary education at public and private educational institutions, with a focus on degree-granting community colleges, career and technical colleges, and junior colleges, through the creation and application of standards of accreditation and

related policies, and through a process of review by higher education professionals and public members. ACCJC is a nonprofit, public benefit corporation organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporations Law of the State of California.

See the Commission's June 2013 institutional actions at: <http://www.accjc.org/actions-on-institutions>

See the Commission's July 3, 2013 notification letter to City College of San Francisco in the Directory of Accredited Institutions at: <http://www.accjc.org/directory-of-accredited-institutions>

For more information, contact ACCJC at: accjc@accjc.org; or call: 415-506-0234.