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IRAC Press Release Regarding Candidacy Visit for Western Governors University

On February 7-10, 2000, Western Governors University (WGU) underwent a review for candidacy status for accreditation based on its previously submitted application and self-study. An 11-member evaluation committee of IRAC, the interregional accrediting committee that represents four commissions, conducted this on-site review. The commissions are the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (Commission on Institutions of Higher Education), Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges (Commission on Colleges), and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (Accrediting Commission for Senior College and Universities and Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges). The evaluation committee's report and confidential recommendation will be forwarded to IRAC. IRAC will consider and take action on the committee's recommendations at its meeting on May 19, 2000, in Seattle, Washington.

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