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RE: State Authorization Request - OH

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To: Provost Email <provost@lssu.edu>

Wed, Feb 19, 2014 at 1:11 PM

Dear Morrie:

Thank you for your inquiry. If the institution's distance education programs can be completed entirely online, no authorization is required and the institution may enroll Ohio residents into such programs without taking any action with the agency. If the programs contains an on-ground component to be completed in the state (e.g., internship, clinical placement, field experience, practicum, student teaching, etc.), the institution would need to get approval to offer such experiences in the state. The form to submit a request to offer these experiences in Ohio is attached. Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Shane

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From: Provost Email [mailto:provost@lssu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 3:59 PM
To: Shane Degarmo
Subject: State Authorization Request - OH

Shane DeGarmo

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Shane,

Lake Superior State University (LSSU) located in Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, is seeking to be in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education regulations (34 CFR Parts 600, 602, 603 et. al.) pertaining to Program Integrity issues in October, 2010. These regulations are associated with the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008. As part of these regulations, it is required that institutions offering online programs to students who reside in other states seek approval from the state where the student resides if required by that particular state.

Lake Superior State University is a public university accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Our accreditation status is published by the HLC on their website: http://ncahlc.org/component/com_directory/Action,ShowBasic/Itemid,1337/

LSSU offers a limited number of online programs. When present, internship experiences are optional, not required in these programs. There exists the possibility that residents from your state could enroll in one of these online programs. Given the above-referenced regulations concerning postsecondary institutions that participate in federal financial student aid, LSSU is concerned with compliance in all 50 states.

Should a resident of your state enroll in one of our online courses and/or programs, we seek your direction on what LSSU must do to be in compliance with the regulations specific to your state. LSSU has no physical presence in your state (employees, agents, electronic equipment, real property), and it is an accredited, public institution. Is there a specific approval and/or notification process for institutions in our similar situation? If there is no approval or notification requirement, will you indicate such by reply so that we will have the appropriate documentation in place?

Thank you very much for your guidance on this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at [906-635-2211](tel:906-635-2211) or via email to provost@lssu.edu.

Thank you.

Morrie Walworth

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