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## CIHE of NEASC and College of St. Joseph

**Burlington, MA** At its meeting on June 28, 2018, the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education, NEASC, voted to place College of St. Joseph on probation for a period not to exceed two years because the Commission found that College of St. Joseph does not now meet the Commission's standard on *Institutional Resources*. The Commission will monitor the conditions at College of St. Joseph during the period of probation.

While on probation, College of St. Joseph remains accredited and maintains eligibility for federal funding, including student financial aid.

"The College is working aggressively to resolve all issues identified by the Commission. Already, we have taken several steps to ensure the College will demonstrate in a timely manner full compliance with the Commission's standards," said President Jennifer Scott.

The Commission on Institutions of Higher Education, NEASC, now operating as the New England Commission of Higher Education, is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as a reliable authority as to the quality of education. The Commission accredits 224 degree-granting institutions in the six New England states and nine American-style institutions in other countries.

College of St. Joseph, located in Rutland, Vermont, is a career-oriented liberal arts institution. Offering associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees, it has been accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education since 1972. College of St. Joseph is a private, independent college.

Further information may be found at:

Commission on Institutions of Higher Education, NEASC: <a href="https://cihe.neasc.org">https://cihe.neasc.org</a>

College of St. Joseph: http://www.csj.edu

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