

JOINT STATEMENT

New England Commission of Higher Education and Roxbury Community College

At its meeting on March 2, 2023, the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) issued Roxbury Community College a Notation because the Commission found that the College is in danger of not meeting the Commission's Standard on *Educational Effectiveness*, specifically that the College has not submitted evidence in its reports that it has identified mission-appropriate indicators of student learning and success. The Commission will monitor the institution's progress through a Fall 2023 focused visit.

Roxbury Community College Interim President Jackie Jenkins-D Scott said in response: Roxbury Community College is committed to meeting and exceeding the Commission's Standard for *Educational Effectiveness* in alignment with our mission of preparing learners for active citizenry and success in a changing world. During the past 12 months, RCC has committed resources towards building a more robust culture of assessment, reinvigorating programs and adding partnerships with students learning outcomes that are mission-aligned and that meet Commission and industry standards. We look forward to demonstrating continued progress during the Commission's focused review in Fall 2023 and the scheduled evaluation in 2025.

The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as a reliable authority as to the quality of education. The Commission accredits 210 degree-granting institutions in the United States, one system with seven campuses, and twelve American-style institutions in other countries.

Roxbury Community College was first accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (now NECHE) in 1981 and is a public institution of higher education offering associate degrees, certificate programs and lifelong learning opportunities to the Greater Boston community.

Further information may be found at:

New England Commission of Higher Education: <https://www.neche.org>

Roxbury Community College: <https://www.rcc.mass.edu/>

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