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NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Notice is hereby given pursuant to [M.G.L. c. 69, § 30](#) and the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education's [Policy Establishing a Process for Public Comment on Articles of Organization and Foreign Certificates of Institutions of Higher Education](#) that the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education will open a comment period relative to **the revocation of the degree-granting authority of Eastern Nazarene College in the Commonwealth.**

Eastern Nazarene College, formerly located in Quincy, MA, was an independent institution of higher education, accredited by the New England Commission on Higher Education. Eastern Nazarene College was founded in 1900 and was authorized by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education to confer the the degrees of Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Arts in Theology, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Theology, Master of Arts in Family Counseling, Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling, Master of Arts in Religion, Master of Education, and Master of Science in Management.

In June 2024, the Department of Higher Education received confirmation from the College that it would cease academic operations on May 31, 2025, and would provide support and transitional services to students through the conclusion of the 2024-2025 academic year.

The public comment period for the revocation of Eastern Nazarene College's authority in Massachusetts begins on May 1, 2025, and will close three weeks thereafter, on May 22, 2025.

Written comments on the proposed amendments may be submitted at any time prior to 5:00pm on May 22, 2025, by directing the same to the following:

Email:

PublicComment@dhe.mass.edu

Postal Mail:

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Attn: Kristen Stone, Ed.D., Director for Academic and Veterans Affairs

Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document and type "Eastern Nazarene College Revocation" in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name and address. For special accommodations for submission of public comments or information regarding submission of public comments in an alternative format, please contact Kristen Stone.