



## Press Release

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### **RASMUSSEN COLLEGE TO UNDERGO COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION VISIT**

Rasmussen College will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit October 19-21, 2009, by a team representing the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Rasmussen College has been accredited by the Commission since 2001. Its accreditation is at the Associate and Bachelor's degree level and includes degree sites at various campuses in Minnesota, Illinois, Florida, Wisconsin, and North Dakota.

The Higher Learning Commission is one of six accrediting agencies in the United States that provide institutional accreditation on a regional basis. Institutional accreditation evaluates an entire institution and accredits it as a whole. Other agencies provide accreditation evaluates an entire institution and accredits it as a whole. Other agencies provide accreditation for specific programs. Accreditation is voluntary. The Commission accredits approximately 1100 institutions of higher education in a nineteen-state region. The Commission is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

For the past year and half, Rasmussen College has been engaged in a process of self-study, addressing the Commission's requirements and criteria for accreditation. The evaluation team will visit the institution to gather evidence that the self-study is thorough and accurate. The team will recommend to the Commission a continuing status for the college; following a review process, the Commission itself will take the final action.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the college:

Public Comment on Rasmussen College  
The Higher Learning Commission  
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60602

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Written, signed comments must be received by October 19, 2009. The Commission cannot guarantee that comments received after the due date will be considered. Comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person providing the comments. Comments will not be treated as confidential.

*Note:* Individuals with a specific dispute or grievance with an institution should request the separate Policy or Complaints document from the Commission office. The Higher Learning Commission cannot settle disputes between institutions and individuals. Complaints will not be considered third party comment.

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#### **ABOUT RASMUSSEN COLLEGE**

Founded in 1900, Rasmussen College is a premier provider of online educational experiences, delivering regionally accredited Master's, Bachelor's, Associate's, and Doctoral degree programs through its network of 17 Rasmussen College campuses and partnerships with leading universities. Rasmussen is an institution of higher learning dedicated to the growth and development of its students, employees, and the communities it serves. With more than 12,000 students, Rasmussen is able to offer its students a broad range of quality programs focused on the areas with the greatest occupation opportunities. To learn more about Rasmussen College, please visit [www.Rasmussen.edu](http://www.Rasmussen.edu).