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Amber Riggs
Co-Director/Dean of Administration
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Dear Ms. Riggs:

I am pleased to inform you that at its October 22, 2018 meeting, the Colorado Commission on Higher Education voted to renew authorization for Artios Christian College as a Religious Training Institution/Seminary in Colorado. Artios Christian College will be due for renewal again in 2021.

This authorization is defined as a bona fide religious postsecondary educational institution that is operating or maintaining a place of business in the state of Colorado, that is exempt from property taxation under the laws of this state, and that offers baccalaureate, master's, or doctoral degrees or diplomas, the content of which are limited to the principles of the church or denomination with which it is affiliated. Under this authorization, seminaries and religious training institutions are prohibited from offering or awarding degrees: in 1) any area of physical science or medicine; 2) appropriate only for academic institutions, such as but not limited to, Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts or Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy or other degrees typically offered by academic institutions, regardless of curriculum or course content, unless the degree title includes the religious field of study; or 3) degrees associated with specific professional fields or endeavors not clearly and directly related to religious studies or occupations. Any seminary or religious training institution that offers instruction outside of this area must apply for authorization as a private college or university and must hold institutional accreditation from a U.S. Department of Education recognized regional or national accrediting agency.

The Colorado Commission on Higher Education has requested that the authorization level be prominent on the website. Best wishes to you and your students.

Sincerely,

Heather DeLange
Academic Policy Officer
Office of Private Postsecondary Education

