



### **Heald College School Closure Update**

Summarized below are updates to assist with moving forward with your education:

#### **Transfer of Credit to Other Schools**

Many of you have already met with other schools in the area to discuss potentially completing your education. Representatives from a number of colleges and universities were available to speak with you at the Heald College campus on Wednesday April 29 and Thursday April 30. These schools should still be able to evaluate your coursework and determine what courses will transfer in to their respective programs.

Schools that you may potentially be able to transfer to include:

- Carrington College
- Clackamas Community College
- Concorde Career College
- Marylhurst University
- Mt Hood Community College
- Oregon State University
- Pioneer Pacific College
- Portland Community College
- Portland State University
- Sumner College
- Warner Pacific

Other public colleges and universities as well as private institutions that are part of the Oregon Alliance of Independent Colleges and Universities might be an option, should you wish to transfer to another school to complete your education. For more information regarding private independent colleges and universities contact:

Oregon Alliance of Independent Colleges and Universities  
16101 SW 72nd Avenue, Suite 100  
Portland, Oregon 97224  
Phone (503) 639-4541  
FAX (503) 639-4851

For information regarding public colleges and universities, please contact the respective institution.

#### **Transcript Requests**

Transcript requests may be made by contacting the Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Commission at 503-947-5716.

## **Federal Student Aid - Loan Discharge**

- Due to the circumstances of the school closure, you may be eligible for a student loan discharge. Below is the contact information and also the web page for your review if choose to explore this option.
  - <https://studentaid.ed.gov/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation>
  - Additionally, you can call 415-486-5677 for further questions/clarifications
  - You can also access your loan servicer via the National Student Loan Database System.

*Once you have processed your federal loan discharge and have received a determination, schools could use that information to support your efforts to request a private loan discharge.*

## **United States Department of Education – Debt Relief**

- The United States Department of Education has created a blog page entitled [For Corinthian College Students: What You Need to Know About Debt Relief](#). Please access the link below for more information:

<http://www.ed.gov/blog/2015/06/for-corinthian-colleges-students-what-you-need-to-know-about-debt-relief/>

## **Surety Bond Information**

If you were enrolled at the Heald College-Portland campus as of April 27, 2015, the date of the campus closure, you may be entitled to a tuition refund under the terms of a Surety Bond obtained by Corinthian Colleges, Inc. in October 2014. Paragraph 3 of the Bond states:

- Any student, enrollee, or person whose tuition and fees are unearned in total or in part by reason of Principal's failure to provide teaching and instruction for the full term for which tuition has been paid, and/or that Principal did not assign a grade to the person, in addition to any other remedy that he or she (or their parent or guardian) may have, may bring an action in his or her own name on the bond for the recovery of the amount of unearned tuition and/or fees.

HECC cannot provide you with any legal advice regarding this matter, nor directly pursue action on your behalf. You may wish to consult an attorney to help you determine your eligibility for a tuition refund.

Harriet Kalanzi will be the claims professional assigned to the Oregon Bond for Heald College, Inc.  
- Bond LPM 9171739.

Harriet may be contacted at 972-542-2495 or toll free: 888-320-9659 x6 or via email:  
[harriet.kalanzi@zurichna.com](mailto:harriet.kalanzi@zurichna.com)

The best process for students wanting to make a claim is for them to mail a notice to:

Harriet N. Kalanzi  
Commercial Surety Bond Claims  
Zurich North America  
PO Box 968036

April 28, 2015

Schaumburg, IL 60196

The student's initial notice should provide the bond number LPM 9171739, Claim Number 6380068869, student's full name, address, email address if available, phone number, date of course registration, proof of registration, course length (from when to when), amount of tuition paid, proof of tuition paid, source of tuition paid (Federal Loan, Private Loan, Cash, Etc...), a statement that the student was enrolled and attending the course at the time of school closure, whether a final grade was given and the amount of the claim. If any further information is needed, Harriet will work directly with the student/claimant.

### **Veterans Benefits**

- Contact the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for benefit information:
  - VA student hotline: 888-GIBILL-1 (888-442-4551)
  - GI Bill website: <http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/>
  - eBenefits: [www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/](http://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/)
- Calculate benefits and research approved programs by using VA's School Comparison Tool: <http://department-of-veterans-affairs.github.io/gi-bill-comparison-tool/>
- Contact a School Advisor or School Certifying Official (SCO) in the Veterans Office of the school you are interested in attending for information regarding programs and VA benefits.

### **Key Contacts in Oregon**

- State Regulatory Questions  
Helen Dunford, (503) 373-0014
- Transcripts and General Questions  
Aaron Reyna, (503) 947-5716 or Rebecca Fuller, (503) 947-5751  
email: [info.pps@state.or.us](mailto:info.pps@state.or.us)
- Veterans Questions  
Barbara R. Zeal, (503) 947-5727