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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 Park University** in the Commonwealth.

Park University, of Parkville, Missouri, was approved by the Board of Higher Education to offer an on-the-ground program in Massachusetts in 2005. Specifically, Park University was approved to offer the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Management/Computer Information Systems, the Bachelor of Science in Management/Human Resources, and the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration at Hanscom Air Force Base located in Bedford, Massachusetts. In October 2023, Park University notified the Department of Higher Education that it had not offered on-ground courses at its campus center location at Hanscom Air Force Base for over two years and that it would cease its operations in Massachusetts effective December 31, 2023. There are no active Park University faculty or staff at the Hanscom Air Force Base campus and there are no students currently enrolled at this location.

The Board of Higher Education has determined that an institution that no longer has an active physical presence in Massachusetts should have its degree-granting authority revoked as that authority is no longer required due to the institution's closure of its Massachusetts operations.

The public comment period for the revocation of Park University's degree-granting authority in Massachusetts begins on January 11, 2024, and will close three weeks thereafter, on February 1, 2024.

Written comments on the proposed amendments may be submitted at any time prior to 5:00pm on February 1, 2024, by directing the same to the following:

**Email:**

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**Postal Mail:**

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Attn: Kristen Stone, Director for Academic and Veterans Affairs

Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document and type "Park University Revocation" in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name and address. For special accommodations for the submission of public comments or information regarding the submission of public comments in an alternative format, please contact Kristen Stone at [kstone@dhe.mass.edu](mailto:kstone@dhe.mass.edu).