WESTCLIFF UNIVERSITY

CONSUMER DISCLOSURE AND INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENTS

National Call to Action
Effective: October 2026

Westcliff University is committed to providing a rigorous, accessible, and student-centered education that prepares graduates for meaningful careers, responsible citizenship, and continued intellectual and professional development.

In response to the August 18, 2026, communication from the Florida Commissioner of Education regarding the National Call to Action issued by the U.S. Secretary of Education, Linda McMahon, Westcliff University reaffirms its commitment to the principles of academic excellence, intellectual inquiry, student success, institutional accountability, and service to the communities in which it operates.

The University recognizes that higher education has an important responsibility to students, employers, communities, and the public. Accordingly, Westcliff University is committed to the following principles and practices.

Westcliff University is licensed by the Florida Commission for Independent Education at its Miami location (License No. 7585) and Orlando location (License No. 11421). Westcliff University is accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. State licensure and institutional accreditation are separate statuses. Prospective students are encouraged to review the University's Student Catalog, Enrollment Agreement, and program-specific information before enrolling.

1. Transparent, Merit-Based Admissions

Westcliff University is committed to admissions decisions that are transparent, consistent with published program requirements, and based on applicants' academic preparation, professional experience where relevant, and readiness for the selected program. Applicants are required to submit documentation appropriate to the program, which may include official transcripts, résumé/CV, personal statement, letters of recommendation, identification, and program-specific credentials.

Westcliff's published admissions process includes application, submission of required program materials, review and evaluation, and an admission decision. Westcliff does not make admissions decisions based on unlawful preferences. The University provides equal opportunity and prohibits discrimination in its programs and activities in accordance with applicable law and its published policies.

2. Free Inquiry, Viewpoint Diversity, and an Orderly Learning Environment

Westcliff University supports an academic environment in which students and faculty can engage in discussion, questioning, analysis, and the exchange of ideas.

Academic freedom operates together with professional and student responsibilities. Westcliff's harassment policy prohibits unlawful or improper harassment, and the Student Code of Conduct addresses academic

dishonesty and other conduct subject to disciplinary review. Westcliff is committed to maintaining an educational environment in which instruction, student services, and academic activities can proceed without harassment, threats, intimidation, or material disruption.

Where conduct interferes with the University's educational operations or violates applicable institutional policy, Westcliff will address the matter through its established conduct, disciplinary, and grievance procedures, consistent with applicable law.

3. Intellectual Pluralism in Curriculum and Faculty

Westcliff's mission, vision, and core values emphasize global citizenship, integrity, accountability, compassion, collaboration, and community built on core competencies such as critical thinking and innovation. Its curriculum includes perspectives drawn from business, healthcare, education, technology, ethics, law, economics, statistics, research, and other relevant disciplines.

The University supports intellectual pluralism by encouraging evidence-based inquiry and substantive discussion rather than requiring students to adopt a particular viewpoint. Faculty members are afforded academic freedom within published course descriptions and institutionally approved instructional methods. Faculty qualifications and curriculum relevance are supported through faculty oversight, curriculum review, and continuous improvement.

4. Affordability, Cost Discipline, Pricing Transparency, and Student Outcomes

Westcliff publishes program tuition and fees and provides cost information before enrollment. Tuition and fees are disclosed through the University's website, Student Catalog, and Enrollment Agreement.

Westcliff University is eligible to offer federal and state financial aid programs, and offers its own financial assistance programs. Students may pay in full, but for those who do not have this option, Westcliff offers the option to sign up for federal or student aid, or university financial assistance, allowing students the opportunity to graduate without debt. Students are encouraged to evaluate financing obligations carefully before enrollment.

Westcliff provides career services including résumé development, interview preparation, and job-search assistance. The University does not guarantee employment, job placement, or a particular salary. Student and graduate outcomes are communicated using available and appropriately documented institutional data and will not be represented as guaranteed results.

5. Academic Rigor, Honest Assessment, and Artificial Intelligence

Westcliff's online instructional model requires students to participate in substantive academic activities, submit assignments, take examinations, and demonstrate learning through discussion, quizzes, mid-term and final examinations, and other course assessments. The University's grading scale and satisfactory academic progress standards establish defined academic expectations, including a minimum GPA of 2.0 for undergraduate students and 3.0 for graduate students.

In an environment in which generative artificial intelligence tools are increasingly available, these academic integrity principles apply to the use of AI tools in coursework. Unless a course or instructor expressly permits a particular use, students remain responsible for producing and submitting their own academic work and for

accurately identifying sources and assistance. Faculty may establish course-specific requirements concerning permissible AI use, disclosure, citation, verification, or demonstration of individual learning. Unauthorized use of AI that results in work being presented as the student's own may be addressed under the University's academic integrity procedures.

Westcliff's commitment to academic rigor includes maintaining meaningful assessments, reviewing course and faculty performance, and using student feedback and institutional review processes for continuous improvement.

6. Florida Students and Workforce Needs

Westcliff University is a Florida-licensed institution with campuses in Florida and serves working professionals through fully online programs. The University's programs are concentrated in healthcare, business, education, and artificial intelligence, fields that support important workforce functions in Florida and the broader U.S. economy.

Westcliff welcomes qualified students from the United States and from other countries, subject to applicable law and published admission requirements. The University will not use unlawful preferences in admissions. For international students, the published admissions process includes English-language proficiency requirements where applicable.

Westcliff workforce alignment is reflected in applied coursework, capstone projects, professional experience of faculty, and curriculum input from business, healthcare, and technology professionals. The University will continue to review programs and student-support services in light of the workforce needs of Florida employers and the professional fields served by its programs.

7. Accountability, Consumer Information, and Student Rights

Westcliff is committed to clear consumer information. Prospective students are provided access to the Student Catalog, program information, tuition and fee information, enrollment documentation, refund policies, accreditation/licensure disclosures, and other required consumer information before enrollment.

Students may use Westcliff internal grievance procedures for complaints. If a matter remains unresolved, students may contact the Florida Commission for Independent Education.

8. Institutional Commitment

Westcliff University will continue to review its policies, academic programs, student-support services, consumer disclosures, and assessment practices to promote transparency, academic integrity, educational quality, and workforce relevance. This statement supplements, but does not replace, the University's Student Catalog, Enrollment Agreement, and official institutional policies. Where a conflict exists, the controlling institutional document and applicable law will govern.

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