



INTERCOAST
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Press Release

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InterCoast Colleges (InterCoast), a private career college, was approached recently by the President and CEO of Career Colleges of America (CCA), another private career college with over 800 students at campuses in South Gate, Los Angeles and San Bernardino, about the possibility of InterCoast stepping in and conducting a “teach-out” of all of CCA’s students. InterCoast was informed by CCA that it has been experiencing operating difficulties and is facing the possibility of closure of its campuses. The “teach-out” plan under discussion would have permitted the CCA students to stay in their current school locations until they had completed their academic programs. In order for that to happen, InterCoast needed to be able to receive the federal student aid funds, that had been awarded to the CCA students for payment of their tuition in order to fund the costs to operate the CCA campuses.

InterCoast put a lot of time and effort into pursuing appropriate regulatory approvals for the proposed teach out. Unfortunately, due to limitations in the law and the complexities of the federal student aid programs, InterCoast regrettably is not able to take on this teach-out.

“We are very disappointed and saddened by the fact that we are not able to help the CCA students with a teach-out, and hope that CCA finds another option quickly for its students”, says Geeta Brown, President of InterCoast. InterCoast has been advised by CCA’s legal counsel that its management is currently exploring another teach-out option or other options for CCA and its students.

In the event that another teach-out plan does not become a reality and CCA ultimately finds it necessary to close its campuses, any CCA students enrolled in CCA academic programs that are similar to an InterCoast program would be welcome to apply for transfer to an InterCoast campus. Under those circumstances, transfer credit would be evaluated and InterCoast would do its best to accommodate all CCA students applying for transfer to InterCoast. Should this situation occur, CCA students who would be interested in continuing their education at InterCoast could call InterCoast’s Belen Tovar at 818-672-2100 x119.

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