

## BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

### Case Western Reserve University

#### RECOMMENDATION

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**Profile:** Case Western Reserve University, located in Cleveland, Ohio, is an independent, non-profit comprehensive institution. Originally established in 1826, the university today serves nearly 10,000 students from all fifty states and eighty-five nations as a leading research university in Ohio and throughout the world.

**Accreditation/Authorization:** Case Western Reserve University is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and possesses specialized accreditation for a number of its professional programs. The university has been authorized by the Chancellor since September 1974.

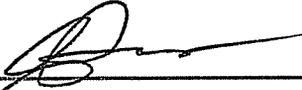
**Program Offerings:** Case Western Reserve University offers Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Juris Doctor, Doctor of Medicine, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. In addition, the university offers a number of tagged degrees in professional fields of study at the undergraduate and graduate level.

**Institutional Changes:** Since the university's last reauthorization review, the institution has had a change in the presidency, expanded its program offerings to new delivery formats, and expanded/eliminated program offerings to better align resources with student, community, and industry needs.

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End of Comment Period: May 11, 2009  
No Comments Received, Recommend Approval

Approved:



Eric D. Fingerhut, Chancellor

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