BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

Thomas More College

RECOMMENDATION

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Profile: Thomas More College, located in Crestview Hills, Kentucky, is an independent institution affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church. Originally established in 1921 as a women’s college to prepare Catholic schoolteachers, the college today serves over 1,600 students in the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati area. The college’s campus in Blue Ash, Ohio (Cincinnati area) serves nearly 200 students.

Accreditation/Authorization: Thomas More College is regionally accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and has been authorized by the Chancellor to deliver approved programs at approved sites in Ohio since September 1987.

Program Offerings: Thomas More College offers the following programs at its Blue Ash Campus: Associate of Elected Studies in Management, Bachelor of Business Administration, and Master of Business Administration.

Institutional Changes: Since the college’s last reauthorization review, the institution has had a change in the presidency and expanded its program offerings to new delivery sites and options.

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End of Comment Period: October 27, 2009
No Comments Received, Recommend Approval

APPROVED

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Erič D. Fingerhut, Chancellor

Date: 11/6/09