

Statement of Accreditation Status Institute of Buddhist Studies

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Current Accreditation Status: Accredited

Most Recent Commission Action: February 13, 2026

First Accredited: 2019

Undergraduate FTE: 0

Graduate FTE: 18

Financial Structure Type: Non-Profit

Sponsorship: Other

Academic Calendar: Semester

Distributes Federal Financial Aid: No

Commission Actions

- *Commission Action Letter, Reaffirmation, February 2026 action
- *Commission Action Letter, Seeking Accreditation Visit 2, February 2020 action
- *Commission action letter, seeking accreditation visit 1, June 2017 action
- *Team Report, Reaffirmation, February 2026 action
- *Team report, seeking accreditation visit 1, June 2017 action

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Locations

OPEID	Location Name	City	Location Type	Status
00000000	JSC	Berkeley	Main Campus	active

Degrees

Degree	Degree Level	Year Implemented	Modality
Certificate in Buddhist Chaplaincy	Non-degree	2013	On-Site
Certificate in Buddhist Studies	Non-degree	2019	Distance Education
Certificate in Shin Buddhist Studies (Online)	Non-degree	2020	Distance Education
Certificate in SÅ• tÅ• Zen Buddhist Studies (Online)	Non-degree	2020	Distance Education
Certificate in Theravada Buddhist Studies	Non-degree	2015	On-Site
Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies	Masters	1996	On-Site
Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies	Masters	2025	Distance Education
Master of Divinity	Masters	2012	On-Site

Upcoming Reviews

Season	Year Level	Review Type
Fall	2026	Progress Report
Fall	2027	Interim Report
Spring	2031	Offsite Review
Fall	2031	Accreditation Visit