

I.22 Institutional or programmatic changes

A school with an ALA-accredited program or a program with Candidacy or Precandidacy status that is considering organizational and/or programmatic changes that might have a significant impact on the ALA-accredited program is expected to communicate these plans to the OA and to the COA before implementation via the biennial narrative or annual progress report or in a separate correspondence.

The proposed changes should provide assurances of continued compliance with the *Standards*. The COA may decide that the circumstances described present the need for review and reconsideration of accreditation. In this case, the program will be advised of the type and schedule of review to be undertaken.

Any change in organizational structure and/or executive administration relevant to the accredited program must be communicated in writing to the Office for Accreditation **within 30 days**. Examples of organizational or executive administration changes that must be reported include, but are not limited to:

- The placement of an ALA-accredited program in a different administrative unit;
- Chief executive officer of the institution, e.g., president;
- Head of the accredited program, e.g., dean, director, chair;
- Chief academic officer of the institution, e.g., provost.

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