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## Core Requirement 2.6

The institution is in operation and has students enrolled in degree programs.

**Judgment of Compliance:** Compliant

### Response:

Chartered on December 19, 1801, the University of South Carolina is home to more than 200 years of history and tradition. The institution enrolled its first students in Columbia on January 10, 1805, but was forced to suspend operation on June 25, 1862 when most of the student body enrolled in the Army of the Confederacy. The University reopened on January 10, 1866, but again ceased operation in 1876 due to problems encountered during Reconstruction. On October 5, 1880 the University reopened and has since been in continuous operation. Joining the flagship campus in Columbia are its separately accredited senior campuses in Aiken, Beaufort, and Upstate. Four regional campuses accredited with the Columbia campus—Lancaster, Sumter, Salkehatchie, and Union—help the University provide postsecondary education to all areas of the state. The following table provides further information concerning the University System campuses' operation:

Campus	Year of Charter	Fall 2009 Enrollment
Columbia	1801	28,481
Aiken	1961	3,269
Beaufort	1959	1,684
Upstate	1967	5,403
Lancaster	1959	1,593
Salkehatchie	1965	957
Sumter	1965*	1,206
Union	1965	507

◆◆◆◆◆ \*Joined the USC System in 1973

- Columbia campus has more than 300 degree programs through its 14 degree-granting colleges and schools. The four regional campuses offer the Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science degrees.
- Students have been awarded more than \$11.4 million for national scholarships and fellowships since 1994.
- Faculty generated \$206 million in funding for research, outreach, and training programs in fiscal year 2008.

### Supporting Documentation:

University of South Carolina: <http://www.sc.edu/aboutusc/>

University of South Carolina 2009-2010 Online Fact Book:  
<http://ipr.sc.edu/factbook/2010/>

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