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1918	Initial	April - Charter member - Washington State Normal at Ellensburg, George H. Black, President.
1937	Name Change	April - Central Washington College of Education - Proceedings List of Accredited Schools, page 18.
1960	Full-scale	November - accreditation for a period of five years, subject to such progress reports as may be requested - from Proceedings, November 1960, page 17.
1965	Regular Int	November - Central Washington State College - accreditation for a period of five years, subject to a progress report in 1968 - from Proceedings, November 1965, page 26.
1968	Progress	November - progress report reviewed and accepted, from Proceedings, December 1968, page 22.
1969	Full-scale	December - reaffirmation of accreditation - from Proceedings, December 1969, page 16.
1974	Regular Int	June - accreditation reaffirmed (Dr. James F. Bemis)
1975	Program	December - Extended Program - The Program was judged to be substantive change for Central in that degree programs are being offered at sites away from the home campus in Ellensburg. Substantive changes are to be validated by the Commission on Colleges within three years of the time of their inception (by 1977). May be done through a report that shows how the program is organized, staffed and supported, and the evidence available to indicate that the purposes of the program are being met.
1978	Name Change	Central Washington University
1978	Program	June - letter informing the Commission that CWU plans to initiate Extended Degree Programs in two sites away from the campus in Ellensburg: BS in Business Administration in the Tri-Cities and bilingual studies, BAEd, to be offered in Yakima.  It will be necessary for the Commission to review your proposals, evaluate them in view of existing programs, and then take such other measures as the Commission may determine. Only after a determination by the Commission of the acceptability of an institution's plans and due notice to it may the institution consider such new educational activities within the scope of its institutional accreditation.  November - plan to initiate an off-campus BA in Leisure Services in South King County.  Since June 1977 the Commission has had a policy on Accreditation, Special Programs and Off-Campus Educational Activities which requests that institutions provide specific information on a new off-campus degree. If the report prepared for the Washington Council for Postsecondary Education (CPE) meets the requirements of the Commission on Colleges, we will accept the information Central submitted to the CPE rather than having you prepare a separate report. Should include the extended or Off-campus program(s) in the self-study. A specialist in continuing education will be assigned to the evaluation committee.
1979	Full-scale	December - accreditation reaffirmed; concurrent NCATE evaluation.

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- 1981 Program February - While we did offer to assist the Navy by offering courses at the Bangor Base, it is now obvious that there is not sufficient enrollment or interest to start a program. Accordingly, we will not have a program on the Bangor Base.
- 1983 Programs August 5 -- correspondence regarding: reopening an office on the campus of Ft. Steilacoom Community College (office had been closed for one year, provides space for the coordinator and secretary of the Steilacoom Center) Law and Justice, BA degree program will continue to be offered at that site. In fall quarter, adding Electronics Technology, BS degree program at the Tri-Cities Center, also discussing feasibility of offering the same program through the Steilacoom Center.
- October 26 - Bemis letter - Steilacoom and Tri-Cities Center were operational at the time of the 1979 reevaluation therefore included under the accreditation of CWU. Cannot tell if BS degree in Electronics Technology was offered on campus - request clarification. If the program is similar to or a progression of the Industrial Technology program I would not consider it to be a substantive curricular change.
- November 14 - BS in Electronics Technology is a new major, however, it is similar to the older Industrial Electronic Technology major and is not a substantive curricular change. Both of these specializations, along with several others, are all within the Industrial Technology program.
- 1984 Regular Int December - accreditation reaffirmed (Dr. Robert W. Coonrod)
- 1988 Program September - BS in Business Administration at Bellevue Community College to begin in winter 1989 subject to approval of Higher Education Coordinating Board; not a substantive change for CWU and would be included under the accreditation status of the University.
- December - BA degree in Sociology at the Lynnwood and South Seattle sites to begin in spring 1989 providing approval is granted by the Higher Education Coordinating Board. Assuming the approval is granted, the program will need to be included in the self-study under Standard VI - Continuing Education and be evaluated as part of the full-scale reevaluation of CWU in fall 1989.
- 1989 Program August 23, 1989 - BA in Education degree program in Early Childhood Education during fall 1989- a cooperative effort with Yakima Valley College (first two years) and Heritage College (upper division courses offered here and at CWU). The offering of an existing degree program at a new site within reasonable distance of the home campus by well-established/experienced institutions would not normally constitute a substantive change -- requested additional information regarding library and learning resources.
- 1989 Full-scale December - Commission reaffirmed accreditation and requested that the regular fifth-year interim report and evaluation visit (fall 1994) give particular attention to University actions regarding general recommendations 1 (Standard I - Institutional Mission and Objectives), 5 (Standard VII - Instructional Staff) and 6 (Standards I and V - Educational Program).

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1990	Program	November - Because offerings at various off-campus sites were assessed in the recent self-study and three sites were visited by one or more members of the evaluation committee, and because Central has previously offered programs at the Yakima site, the Commission would not consider this particular offering to constitute a substantive change. Therefore, we consider the BS degree with major in Administrative Management at the Yakima site to be included under the accreditation of CWU.
1990	NCATE	November - 99 year old teacher training program rejected by NCATE. CWU can reapply for reaccreditation within two years.
1994	Regular Int	December - reaffirmation of accreditation (Dr. David E. Gilbert)
1995	Clarification	February 24 letter from Executive Director - regarding the name and location of CWU's center in south Seattle -- has been included in the accreditation of CWU dating back to 1978. Commission has reviewed various programs at that location over the years. The change of location to the CWU SeaTac Center does not change the accreditation status of the operation and the new center is, indeed, included under the accreditation status of CWU.  Off-campus centers: Lynnwood since 1979; South King County since 1978; Yakima area since 1978.
1996	Program	July - CWU collaborating with St. Martin's College in offering courses at Ft. Lewis Army Post resulting in a teaching certificate - fall 1996.
1997	Dietetics	June - initial accreditation of Dietetic Internship at CWU, Ellensburg, WA, by Commission on Accreditation/Approval for Dietetics Education of the American Dietetic Association June 5, 1997
1997	Correspondence	June 5 - addition of distance education course offerings either at or through the Wenatchee Center should have been submitted as a substantive change. The Commission is not requesting that the University submit a prospectus at this juncture. It is in the best interest of the University that the executive Director be notified in writing well in advance of each proposed curricular initiative for any of its centers.
1998	Subst Change	October 5 - Commission approved major substantive proposal for continued development of the University's distance education delivery system -- delivery of instruction via electronically mediated distance technologies and requested that a focused interim report be prepared for review during the full-scale evaluation in fall 1999.
1999	Full-scale	December - accreditation reaffirmed; requested focused report/evaluation in fall 2001 to address Recs 1-6.
2001	Focused Int	December - accreditation reaffirmed (Gen Recs 1-6, 1999 Evaluation Committee Report); requested a progress report in fall 2002 to address Recs 1 through 4 from fall 2001 Focused Interim Evaluation Report.

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- 2002 Subst Change March 28 - assumption of responsibility for Cornerstone Project approved no change.
- May 16 - Proposals submitted in response to recommendation from the fall 2001 Focused Interim Evaluation Report: 1) Bachelor of Science in Primate Behavior and Ecology - approved as a minor change under Policy A-2 Substantive Change; 2) Bachelor of Arts in Asian Studies - approved as a minor change under Policy A-2, Substantive Change; 3) Programmatic Changes in the Undergraduate Art Program. Addition of Bachelor of Fine Arts degree programs with emphases in Graphic Design and in Studio Art constitutes no change under Policy A-2, Substantive Change; 4) Master of Science in Engineering Technology - approved as a minor change under Policy A-2, Substantive Change; 5) Master of Professional Accountancy (MPA) - approved as a minor change under Policy A-2, Substantive Change. Regarding the deletion of the Bachelor of Arts: Broad Teaching Area and in Graphic Design . . .Accordingly, if there are students currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Art in Graphics Design or the Bachelor of Arts in Teaching Broad Area, those students must be accommodated if they wish to complete the degree programs for which they initially applied and were accepted. The Commission requests that you provide documentation that all students affected by this institutional change have been given or are being given an opportunity to complete their program of choice. Documentation confirming this action on the part of the institution should be received in the Commission Office by June 15, 2002.
- October 7 - Elementary Education Major with a Science Education minor at Green River Community College in Auburn, WA - approved as no change and included under existing accreditation.
- 2002 NOTE July - Received - draft letter acknowledging to SE.
- 2002 Progress December - report accepted (Recs 1 through 4 from fall 2001 Focused Interim Evaluation Report).
- 2004 Subst Change January 20 - BS in General Studies with emphases in Natural Sciences and Social Sciences and BA in General Studies with an emphasis in Humanities - approved as no change; include a review of these programs in the fall 2004 regular fifth-year interim report.
- January 26 - collaborative with Green River CC to offer baccalaureate degree in Elementary Education with a Science Educ minor at the University Center at SeaTac - approved as no change; include a review of this collaborative in the fall 2004 regular fifth-year interim report.
- January 27 - change Bachelor of Music: Music Business degree program to a Bachelor of Arts: Music Business - approved as no change; include a review in fall 2004 regular fifth-year interim report.
- January 27 - BS in Environmental Geological Sciences - approved as no change; include a review in fall 2004 regular fifth-year interim report.

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2004	Regular Int	December -  PLUS - 1/20/04 - BS in General Studies with emphases in Natural Sciences and Social Sciences and BA in General Studies with an emphasis in Humanities.  PLUS - 1/26/04 - Collaborative in Elem Educ/Science Educ at SeaTac University Center.  PLUS - 1/27/04 - Bachelor of Music: Music Business degree program to a Bachelor of Arts: Music Business.  PLUS - 1/27/04 - BS in Environmental Geological Sciences.
2005	Regular	1/28/05 - Reaffirm accreditation
2005	Subst Change	2/22/05 - no change - Approve B.E. in Special Education Broad Area; include review in fall 2009 Comprehensive Evaluation & visit.
2005	Subst Change	2/22/05 - no change - Expand concentrations in M.E. degree program; include in fall 2009 Comprehensive Evaluation and visit.
2006	Subst Change	4/10/06 - no change - Approve BAS-ITAM for Ellensburg Campus and the University Centers located at Lynnwood and Des Moines.
2006	Subst Change	8/21/06 - no change - Approve BS in General Studies-Social Science at the CWU-Yakima Center on the campus of Yakima Valley Community College
2007	Subst Change	2/28/07 - Approve no change BA in Film/Video Studies.
2007	Subst Change	3/2/07 - Approve minor change in Food Services Management at Ellensburg, Lynnwood, Des Moines & Pierce County.
2007	Progress Report	8/2/07 - Progress Report accepted
2008	Subst Change	7/16/08 - Relocate teaching site on campus of Green River CC in Auburn, WA to Green River CC site in Kent, WA
2008	Subst Change	7/16/08 - Approve Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre Arts
2008	Subst Change	7/16/08 - Approved offering previously approved programs in Health and Safety, Industrial Technology, Psychology, Electronic Engineering Tech, Flight Tech, Secondary Mathematics, Elementary Ed, Information Tech and Admin Mgmt, and a Master of Ed degree program in Des Moines, Lynnwood, Pierce, Yakima, Wenatchee, Moses Lake and Everett.
2008	Subst Change	9/24/08 - Approve MS in Primate Behavior effective fall 2008.
2008	Subst Change	10/16/08 - Approve BS in General Science Teaching on Ellensburg campus eff. Fall 2008.
2008	Subst Change	10/16/08 - Approve B.S. in Environmental Studies eff. Fall 2008 on Ellensburg campus.

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2008	Minor Change	11/3/08 - Approve Central WA Univ to offer a Master of Science in Nutrition effect. Fall 2008.
2008	Minor Change	11/3/08 - Approve Bachelor of Science in Global Wine Studies effect. Fall 2008.
2008	Comprehensive	4/25/05 - no change - Relocate CWU Seatac off-campus site to the Highline Community College campus in Des Moines and change name of CWU - Steilacoom to CWU - Pierce County 4/25/05 - no change - Approve BAS in Industrial Technology and BAS in Safety and Health Management
2008	Minor change	12/1/08 - Approve offering CWU's degree of Bachelor of Science at Lynnwood campus at Edmonds CC.
2009	Minor Change	5/8/09 - Offer B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences at Moses Lake, Wenatchee, Everett, and Mt. Vernon effective spring 2009.
2009	Minor Change	10/14/09 - Approved of 4 existing program changes: 2 programs to be added to previously approved sites: 1) BS in Social Services degree at Pierce College site, 2) BA in Ed. With specialty in Early Childhood Ed. To be added to Yakima Valley CC site. Also approved of delivering 2 other degrees in an online distance learning format: 1) Bachelor of Applied Science in IT and Admin. Mgmt degree; and 2) the MS in Family and Consumer Sciences degree.
2010	Comprehensive	1/22/10 - Accreditation reaffirmed on the basis of the Fall 2009 Comprehensive Evaluation.
2010	Subst Change	2/24/10 - Approved the new site for the University Center at Everett CC located at 2000 Tower Street, Gray Wolf Hall, Suite 100, Everett, WA, effective spring 2009.
2010	Minor Change	3/29/10 - Approved of CWU offering a Bachelor of Arts in Middle Level Mathematics and Science Teaching degree program at the main campus in Ellensburg, WA effective fall, 2010.
2012	Year One	2/13/12 - Reaffirmed accreditation on the basis of the Fall 2011 Year One Evaluation which was expanded to address Recs 1, 2, and 3 of the Fall 2009 Comprehensive Evaluation.
2013	Minor Chg	4/29/13 - Approved an Educational Specialist (EdS) degree program with an emphasis in School Psychology, effective Spring 2013.
2015	Mid-Cycle	2/5/15 - Accepted the Fall 2014 Mid-Cycle Report which was expanded to address Recs 1 & 2 of the Fall 2011 Yr 1 Peer-Eval Report; expectations have been met in regard to Recs 1 & 2 of the Fall 2011 Yr 1 Peer Eval Report.
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2016	Subst Chg	1/11/16 - Commission approved for Central Washington Univ to transition an existing Bachelor of Science (BS) degree program in Information Technology and Administrative Management (ITAM) to the structure of a competency-based education (CBE) model of delivery, effective fall 2015.

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| 2016 | Minor Change | 10/19/16 - Add a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree program in Supply Chain Management to its education offerings, effective Fall 2015. Education and face-to-face instructional modalities at Ellensburg, Washington, CWU-Pierce County Center in Lakewood, Washington, CWU-Lynwood Center in Lynnwood, Washington.  |
| 2017 | Major Change | 3/20/17 – Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated January 10, 2017, to establish an affiliation between CWU and the City of Sammamish, Washington. A new higher education center located at 120 228th Avenue NE, Sammamish, WA Effective Spring 2017. Extend delivery of existing programming and coursework that leads to a certificate, baccalaureate, or master’s degree program. Delivery of existing coursework that leads to a certificate, or bachelor’s or master’s degree program at the new higher education center located at 120 228th Avenue NE, Sammamish, Washington. |