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## **Press Statement**

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## VA Statement on Suspension of DeVry University "Principles of Excellence" Status Under GI Bill

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has suspended DeVry University's status as a Principles of Excellence (POE) institution following VA's review of the recent lawsuit filed by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The FTC is alleging that DeVry University used deceptive marketing tactics to attract students and the Department of Education (ED) notified DeVry of its intent to impose limitations on the university based on related conclusions. VA is also conducting compliance reviews at all DeVry campuses to measure compliance with federal regulations. VA remains committed to working with our ED, FTC, and State Approving Agency partners to ensure Servicemembers, Veterans, and their dependents are not misled by educational institutions offering VA-approved programs. Using the GI Bill Comparison Tool, consumers can view a school's status and see which schools have achieved recognition for a commitment to consumer protection. A flag has been posted on all DeVry University campus pages in the GI Bill Comparison Tool to call attention to the FTC lawsuit.

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