



## VERIFICATION OF EXEMPTION

January 30, 2019

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The College of Metaphysical Studies  
2500 Eye Street, Suite 4  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

RE: Verification of Exempt Status – Application No. 31436

**INSTITUTION:** The College of Metaphysical Studies

**BASIS FOR EXEMPTION: Religious** - California Education Code (CEC) section 94874(e)

The Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) has completed the review of your Institution's Application for Verification of Exempt Status pursuant to the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 (Act) based on the application received on August 20, 2018 and additional documents subsequently received up to January 11, 2019.

The application demonstrates that The College of Metaphysical Studies has met the qualifications for exemption from regulation under the Act, pursuant to California Education Code (CEC) section 94874(e): *"An institution owned, controlled, and operated and maintained by a religious organization lawfully operating as a nonprofit religious corporation..."*

Pursuant to CEC §94874.7, this verification of exemption shall remain valid until January 30, 2021, as long as the institution maintains full compliance with the requirements of this exemption. Any of the following conditions will deem the institution ineligible for this exemption:

- the institution offers degrees or diplomas outside the scope of the beliefs and practices of the church, religious denomination, or religious organization;
- the institution offers degrees in any area of physical science;
- the institution is no longer a religious nonprofit organization;
- the institution is approved to participate in Title 38 veteran's financial aid programs;
- any other factor exists that would render the institution ineligible for an exemption under the CEC section 94874(e).

Additionally, exempt institutions shall comply with CEC §94927.5 regarding the retention of student records and transcripts and their submission to the Bureau prior to closing.

If you require additional assistance on this matter, please contact me at (916) 431-6921 or by email at [Erica.Smith@dca.ca.gov](mailto:Erica.Smith@dca.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

ERICA SMITH  
Licensing Manager