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Ohio college slated to part ways with Antioch University today

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Antioch University has parted ways with Antioch College of Ohio.

The university, of which Antioch University New England in Keene is a part, will operate as it has, with a focus primarily on graduate studies.

The college, in Yellow Springs, Ohio, will continue as a separate, undergraduate school. It closed last June under financial pressure and initial efforts to reinvigorate the college failed. But with the separation from the university system, and the transfer of the campus and other assets, which takes place today at 5 p.m., plans are for it to reopen.

"The process to create an independent Antioch College has been a long and challenging one, but everyone involved in this effort was committed to the goal of creating an independent college, leaving the University free to focus on its predominately graduate programs which are located in four different states," said Richard Detweiler, mediator of a small group of representatives of the University Board of Governors and College alumni that have been working on the transfer, and president of the Great Lakes Colleges Association.

In addition to its Keene facility, Antioch university has branches in California, Ohio and Washington.

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