



Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs

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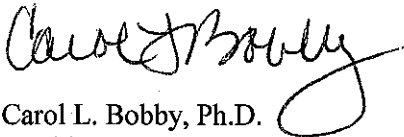
Dear Mr. Smart:

The Board of Directors of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) met January 5-7, 2017, for the purpose of making accreditation decisions. At this meeting, the Board reviewed the Interim Report submitted by the Department of Counseling, Leadership and Special Education, housed in the College of Education at Missouri State University. This report was required to more fully address standards cited in the accreditation decision letter that was sent to your office and dated January 21, 2015. The report specifically addressed standards related to the accreditation of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.S. degree) and School Counseling (M.S. degree) programs. The School Counseling program is offered at both the Springfield and West Plains campuses.

Based on its review of the report and supporting documentation, the Board accepted the report and made a decision to extend the accredited status of the programs through the remainder of the eight-year cycle ending March 31, 2023.

A revised certificate of accreditation will be enclosed with Dr. Hough's copy of this letter. Once again, the Board extends its thanks to you and your administration for the support given to the faculty in maintaining the accredited status of these programs. Such support is considered vital to assuring continued quality in higher education programs.

Sincerely,



Carol L. Bobby, Ph.D.
President and CEO

Enclosure

cc: Dr. David L. Hough, Dean, College of Education
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