

December 12, 2013

Clifton Smart, J.D.  
President  
Missouri State University  
901 S. National Avenue  
Springfield, Missouri 65897

Dear President Smart:

On behalf of the Planning Accreditation Board (PAB), I am pleased to inform you that the Board acted at its November 15 – 17, 2013 meeting to accredit the *Bachelor of Science in Planning* degree at Missouri State University for a five-year term, extending to December 31, 2018. A certificate designating this accreditation that is effective January 1, 2014, will be mailed under separate cover.

Given this action, the Program will be scheduled for its next accreditation review during the 2017 – 2018 academic year; the Self-Study Report will be due in 2017. PAB reserves the right to change this to an earlier time as a result of new or additional information, changes in the activities of your program, or changes needed in the accreditation review schedule. Your program will be notified of any change in advance of the time of the next review.

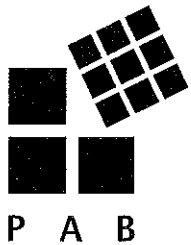
A condition of this accreditation is that the Program submit a Progress Report on May 1, 2016, with updated information on the areas of accreditation detailed below. If the Board finds sufficient evidence to demonstrate substantial compliance with the standards, the accreditation period may be extended by an additional two years. This would affect the schedule outlined above. The maximum term granted by PAB is seven years.

In its future Progress Report, the Program should provide evidence of compliance with the following Standards and criteria:

**Standard 2 Students**

**Criterion 2B/ Diversity**

**“The program shall adopt appropriate recruitment and retention strategies, including curricular strategies, to achieve its aspirations for a diverse student body, and shall document actual progress in implementing those strategies. The program shall foster a climate of inclusivity that appreciates and celebrates cultural difference through its recruitment and retention of students. Students shall possess, in the aggregate, characteristics of diversity (e.g., racial and ethnic background) that reflect the practice**



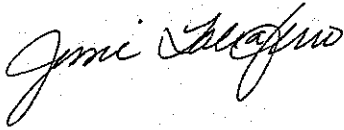
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PAB appreciates the commitment and dedication to quality planning education demonstrated by your participation in the accreditation process. If you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact PAB Executive Director Shonagh Merits.

Sincerely,



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