Council on Academic Accreditation
Audiology | Speech-Language Pathology

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CAA File #8

Dear Dr. Ukrainetz,

We are happy to inform you that the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) has approved your annual report for the master's program in speech-language pathology.

Your next annual report is due August 1, 2027, and will be submitted through the online reporting system. Approximately four months prior to the due date of your report, you will be sent a reminder that the online reporting system is open and the program's next report to the CAA is due for submission.

The issues related to standards compliance provided in the attached *Accreditation Action Report* (AAR) must be addressed in the program's next CAA report. The CAA expects that the program will demonstrate full compliance with the standards cited by the time of the next CAA report, if any citations are noted. If there is not sufficient evidence of full compliance by that date, the program's accreditation may be in jeopardy with the CAA, in keeping with the U.S. Department of Education's Criteria for Recognition §602.20 Enforcement of Standards.

The CAA considers the timely submission of all accreditation reports and fees a critical condition for continued accredited status. Thus, a program will be placed on Administrative Probation when it has not met its reporting and/or financial expectations to the CAA. Administrative Probation is an action taken by the CAA as a result of a program's failure, by established deadlines, to complete and file any accreditation report, including all special requests for information, or to pay the annual accreditation fees.

Notification of Changes:

When the CAA awards or approves the continuation of an accreditation status, it does so on the expectation that the program will continue to comply with all accreditation standards throughout the term of accreditation. On occasion, changes occur prior to the next regularly scheduled CAA report and require immediate notification to the CAA. These include:

1. Changes in institutional accreditation status
2. Program director changes

3. Administrative structure changes
4. Program closure

Should any of these changes occur prior to your next CAA report, please refer to the detailed information about the CAA's policies and procedures, which are available in Chapter XI Expectations of Program in the Accreditation Handbook.

Public Notice of Accreditation Status:

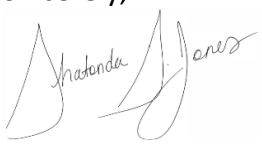
Effective January 1, 2017, a program must publish on its website the applicable accreditation statement in its entirety as articulated in the Public Notice of Accreditation Status policy; refer to the CAA Accreditation Handbook (Chapter XII Informing the Public) for the appropriate language to use in publicizing your program's accreditation status.

The CAA has clarified that both the degree title, degree designator (abbreviation), and modalities offered must be included in the program's accreditation status statements. For example, the lead in language for the accreditation status statement published by the program should begin, "The Master of Science (M.S.) education program {residential, distance education, satellite location, contractual arrangement}" or "The Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) education program {residential, distance education, satellite location, contractual arrangement}". Programs would use the title and designator affiliated with their program. Refer to the CAA Accreditation Handbook (Chapter XII Informing the Public) for the appropriate language to use in publicizing your program's accreditation status:

> The [master's degree title (+ designator/abbreviation) education program in speech-language pathology {residential, distance education, satellite location, contractual arrangement} and/or the doctoral degree title (+ designator/abbreviation) education program in audiology {residential, distance education, satellite location, contractual arrangement}] at [name of parent institution of higher education] is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700.

We look forward to continued discussions with you regarding the ongoing development and quality improvement of your program to prepare future professionals in audiology and speech-language pathology. Please let us know if we can assist your program in any way.

Sincerely,



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