



Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs

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Dear Dr. Alexander-Albritton:

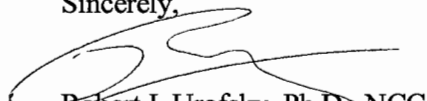
The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) Board of Directors met January 10-12, 2014, for the purpose of rendering accreditation decisions. In January 2013, the Board tabled action on a Mid-Cycle Report submitted by the Department of Counselor Education at Western Illinois University. At the January 2014 meeting, a subcommittee of the Board thoroughly reviewed the follow-up information submitted. This committee then made a recommendation to the entire CACREP Board that the report be accepted. On the basis of the information provided in the report, there were no concerns presented and the Board accepted the report.

As the counseling programs at Western Illinois University are currently accredited under the 2001 CACREP Standards, the Board encourages the program faculty, in preparation for the next accreditation cycle, to begin considering elements included in the 2009 CACREP Standards, such as the assessment of student learning for the program area standards and the inclusion of related data in program evaluation. Good starting points for this consideration are reviews of Standard I.AA and Transition Policy #5 – Assessment. As always, please feel free to contact CACREP staff with any questions you have as you move forward in planning for reaccreditation.

You are not required to submit any other reports to CACREP, other than an annual Vital Statistics Report, until your application for reaccreditation is due in July 2015, unless a Substantive Change report becomes necessary or unless there are reports relating to programs being added. We hope that you will call upon us should any questions arise regarding your accredited status.

Please accept congratulations from the CACREP Board and staff on the acceptance of this report.

Sincerely,



Robert I. Urofsky, Ph.D., NCC
Director of Accreditation