



May 30, 2013

President Mark Rutland
Oral Roberts University
7777 S. Lewis Ave.
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Dear President Rutland:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken concerning Oral Roberts University by the Higher Learning Commission. At its meeting on May 20, 2013, the Institutional Actions Council (IAC) acted on the items below. This letter serves as the official record of this action, and the date of this action constitutes the effective date of your new status with the Commission.

Action with Interim Monitoring. IAC continued the accreditation of Oral Roberts University with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2022-23. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring.

- **Focused Visit.** A focused visit to be completed in Spring 2015, addressing the following:
 - A comprehensive, integrated business plan that is aligned with a financial model that generates realistic and sustainable revenues, particularly from net tuition and philanthropic support.
 - A hiring strategy that (a) outlines a strategy for the hiring of faculty in areas where the current faculty do not hold degrees one level above the students they are teaching, (b) provides data to show they are improving in this area, and (c) a strategy that provides tested good practices and periodically evaluates the faculty for their preparation in online teaching (d) benchmarks the goal of 60 percent of faculty having a terminal degree.
- **Progress Report.** A Progress Report due 12/1/14 on communication of the data and findings from assessment to the program directors and administration where the results of assessment directly affect the program changes for the future. This report should include the assessment data from the on campus and online programs showing how this information is formally communicated and influences change throughout the University.

If the current Commission action includes changes to your institution's *Statement of Affiliation Status (SAS)* or *Organizational Profile (OP)*, the changes will appear in these documents on the Commission's Web site within two weeks of the date of action. The *SAS* is a summary of your institution's ongoing relationship with the Commission. The *OP* is generated from data you provided in your most recent Institutional Update.

If you have questions about these documents after viewing them, please contact Timothy Gallimore. Information about notifying the public of this action is found in Chapter 8.3-3 and 8.3-4 of the *Handbook of Accreditation, Third Edition*, available at <http://tinyurl.com/HLChapter8>.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I thank you and your associates for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sylvia Manning".

Sylvia Manning
President



The Standard of Excellence
in Teacher Preparation

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
Arthur E. Wise
President

April 30, 2007

Dr. Richard Roberts
President
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Dear President Roberts:

At its April 14-19, 2007 meeting in Phoenix, AZ, the Unit Accreditation Board of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) considered the application for continuing accreditation of the School of Education as the unit that oversees the professional education offerings at Oral Roberts University. I am pleased to inform you of the Unit Accreditation Board's decision to continue the accreditation of the School of Education at Oral Roberts University at the initial teacher preparation and advanced preparation levels. This accreditation decision indicates that the unit and its programs meet rigorous standards set forth by the professional education community.

Let me take this opportunity to congratulate you and your professional education unit for displaying the high quality necessary to be granted national accreditation. I would also like to express appreciation for the cooperation received from the faculty, staff, and administration of your institution. The copy of this letter sent to the head of your professional education unit includes a certificate in acknowledgement of the unit's accomplishment.

Strengths noted in the Board of Examiners report have not been reiterated but are certainly considered part of the institution's accreditation visit record. You may use the information provided in the Board of Examiners report at your discretion. Any areas for improvement that have been cited are listed in the enclosed areas for improvement document.

The next NCATE visit is scheduled for spring 2013. You will begin to receive materials for that visit approximately two years prior to the visit. (In partnership states, the actual date of the visit must be determined jointly by the state and NCATE.) In addition, your institution will be required to complete a Professional Education Data System instrument each year during the accreditation period. You are not required to report specifically on progress in the areas for improvement cited, but you are encouraged to do so. During the accreditation period, you will be expected to report evaluations and changes in relation to all six standards.

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Enclosed is a copy of NCATE's Policies on Dissemination of Information, which describes the terms and dates by which your current accreditation action becomes a matter of public record and lists other parties who will be notified of accreditation action. If your state has a partnership agreement with NCATE, the state agency with program approval authority receives a copy of this letter.

To celebrate your accreditation, I encourage you to use the online press packet on NCATE's website. (From the homepage, click on 'Institutions,' then 'Resources,' then 'Press Packet' under the subhead, 'Celebrating Accreditation'). The packet includes a sample press release announcing a school of education's accreditation status to the media, as well as samples of announcements which can be sent to P-12 schools, foundations, businesses, policymakers, and other stakeholders in your area. Other strategies are also included for garnering media attention throughout the year. In addition, because you are professionally accredited, we encourage you to use the NCATE logo on print materials such as brochures and catalogs, as well as on your school of education's website. (The logo can be found at the link just above 'Press Packet' under the subhead: 'Celebrating Accreditation' as noted above). It is a distinctive 'mark' which demonstrates that you have met demanding national professional standards for educator preparation. Congratulations!

Should you have any questions regarding NCATE's action or the items reported herein, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,



Arthur E. Wise

Enclosures

cc: David B. Hand, Dean, School of Education
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To Whom It May Concern:

Oral Roberts University's School of Education is fully accredited by the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Oral Roberts University's next accreditation visit will be in fall 2014.

Please contact me if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Linda Reid
State Director of Program Accreditation