



Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs

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Dr. Harold L. Martin
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Dear Dr. Martin:

The Board of Directors of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) met July 13-15, 2017, for the purpose of making accreditation decisions. Four counseling programs housed in the College of Education at North Carolina A&T State University were reviewed under the 2016 CACREP Standards. The Board made the following decisions:

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.S. degree)

Accredited: Eight-Year Period through October 31, 2024

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (M.S. degree)

Accredited: Eight-Year Period through October 31, 2024

School Counseling (M.S. degree)

Accredited: Eight-Year Period through October 31, 2024

Counselor Education and Supervision (Ph.D. degree)

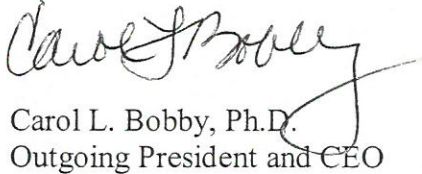
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The Board based the above accreditation decisions on an extensive review of the self-study documents, the visiting team's report, and the institution's response to the visiting team's report. Please note that the accreditation cycle end date listed above, as per CACREP policy, reflects a prior extension of accredited status granted to these programs in the previous accreditation cycle.


Programs receiving accreditation for an eight-year period deserve to be commended for the work completed throughout the accreditation process. This is indeed a worthy achievement. Congratulations! Please note that a certificate of accreditation will be enclosed with Dr. Graham's copy of this letter.

On behalf of the CACREP Board, we would like to extend our thanks to you and your administration for the support provided to the counseling programs. Such support is considered vital to assuring continued quality in higher education programs. Once again, congratulations are extended to all of those involved in making this a successful accreditation review process.

Sincerely,



Carol L. Bobby, Ph.D.
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Enclosure

cc: Dr. Anthony Graham, Dean, College of Education
Dr. Caroline Booth, Interim Chair, Department of Counseling
Dr. Robin Liles, CACREP Liaison

Publicizing Your CACREP Accreditation Decisions

Institutions with programs accredited by CACREP must display integrity and responsibility when publicizing their accredited status in publications such as promotional literature, brochures, web pages, student catalogs and handbooks. The following guidelines are offered for the public presentation of accredited status:

1. Institutions which publicize the accreditation decisions rendered for their specific counseling programs in catalogs or other official publications should include the following:

- A. the name of the accrediting body and the scope of accreditation (i.e., institutional or specialized);
- B. the decisions as program specific (e.g., school counseling or clinical mental health counseling).

For example, "The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), has granted accreditation to the following programs in the Department of Counselor Education at State University: Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.S.), School Counseling (M.Ed.), and the doctoral program in Counselor Education and Supervision (Ed.D.)."

2. Avoid phrases such as "Full Accreditation" or "Full Approval" since programs cannot be partially accredited.

3. All statements mentioning accreditation status must be clear, accurate, and current.

4. Any listing of accreditation in official publications or on university stationery should list only those programs conferred accreditation by CACREP. Programs not reviewed by CACREP - even within the same department - should not be represented as accredited.

For example, it would be inaccurate to state that programs in the Department of Human Services were CACREP accredited if CACREP had granted accreditation to only two out of three programs in the department. It would also be inaccurate to state that specific programs or degrees within a department are accredited based on institutional accreditation of a university or college as a whole unit.

5. Statements suggesting future accreditation of programs when decisions have not been rendered by CACREP are not permissible.

For example, it is NOT permissible to say "The School Counseling program at State University is currently involved in an evaluation process with the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) and anticipates receiving accreditation in the near future."