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RE: Reaffirmation

Warner Pacific University (OR)

Baccalaureate Social Work Program (BSW)

2015 Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS)

Dear President Johnson:

At its October 2022 meeting, the Commission on Accreditation (COA) reviewed the self-study, the COA *Letter of Instruction*, the *Site Visit Report*, and the program's response to the report as the *Reaffirmation* application for the baccalaureate social work program. The COA voted to reaffirm the accreditation of the program for eight years, ending in June 2029. The program's next *Reaffirmation* timeline is shortened due to a one-year postponement and one-meeting agenda adjustment during this review cycle.

Congratulations on this achievement.

COA reaffirmation decision types are described in section 2.6 COA Reaffirmation Determination and Decisions in the EPAS Handbook.

The accreditation status obtained at *Reaffirmation* only covers the components that were reviewed in the self-study at the time of the COA review. Changes may take place within the program prior to its next scheduled accreditation review; however, some program changes impact compliance with EPAS and require reporting to the COA or DOSWA per section *1.2.4 Program Changes* in the <u>EPAS Handbook</u>. Accreditation is an elective, program-driven, and self-managed peer-review process. Programs are solely responsible for implementing, demonstrating, and maintaining compliance with the EPAS during and in-between review cycles.

Please be in touch with the program's accreditation specialist, Michael E. Leff, Accreditation Specialist, if there are any questions about this letter or the procedures and actions of the Commission.

Sincerely,

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