



February 22, 2024

Dr. Ron Dempsey
President
Oakland City University

Dear President Dempsey:

This letter serves as formal notification of action taken by the Accreditation Commission of the Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation at its meeting on January 23, 2024, regarding the graduate programs in the Oakland City University School of Education.

Action: Based on examination of the case record, including the program's Quality Assurance Report and the AAQEP Quality Review Team Report, the Accreditation Commission awards **accreditation for a full term of 7 years** to the graduate programs in the Oakland City University School of Education (see [Action Report](#)).

As a notation to this action, relative to Standard 3, the Accreditation Commission recorded an **observation** that the program has plans in place and is in the process of implementing effective program practices regarding staffing and resources that allow the program to systematically collect, analyze, and act upon evidence as part of a quality assurance system. Observations offer a perspective or a suggestion that is nonevaluative.

This action is effective immediately and extends **through December 31, 2030**, or until Oakland City University ceases to be a member in good standing of AAQEP, whichever is earlier. Annual Reports are due by December 31 of each year, beginning in 2025. In addition, please refer to our [substantive change policy](#) for guidance on program changes that must be reported in the interim.

Congratulations!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark LaCelle-Peterson".

Mark LaCelle-Peterson, Ed.D.
President and CEO

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