



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 undergraduate 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 undergraduate programs in the Oakland City University School of Education (see [Action Report](#)).

As a notation to this action, relative to Standard 4 (and referencing Aspects 1c, 2a, and 2d), the Accreditation Commission issued a **concern** that documentation is needed of program faculty and staff capacity to share results of contextualized evidence relative to addressing workforce needs, supporting completers' entry into the profession, and using evidence to improve the candidate/completer outcomes related to diversity and international perspectives. A concern is a relatively minor or restricted shortcoming that must be addressed in the program's Annual Reports.

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

cc: Cathy Robb, Provost  
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