



Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs

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Dear Dr. Mathew:

I am writing in follow-up to the Digital Delivery Pathway Substantive Change Decision Letter addressed to you and dated February 27, 2023. That letter notified you that the CACREP Board of Directors ("Board") had approved the inclusion of a digitally delivered program pathway in the accreditation for the Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.S.Ed. degree) and School Counseling (M.S.Ed. degree) specialty areas.

This letter addresses program graduate recognition for the fully digitally delivered pathway addressed in the Digital Delivery Pathway Substantive Change Decision Letter. The Board recognizes the development of the fully digital pathway as reflective of and an evolution of the program modifications the program initiated in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Based on this recognition and the Board's decision to include the fully digital pathway in the accreditation for the specified specialty areas, graduates of the fully digital pathway from March 2020 forward are considered graduates of a CACREP-accredited program.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the CACREP accreditation process and your due diligence in reporting on the development of the fully digital program delivery.

Sincerely,

M. Sylvia Fernandez, Ph.D.

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President and CEO

cc: Dr. Heather Scott, Chair, Department of Psychology and Counseling