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Dr. Stan L. Albrecht  
President  
Utah State University  
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Dear President Albrecht: 

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that at its January 8-9, 2014, meeting, the Board of Commissioners reaffirmed the accreditation of Utah State University on the basis of the Fall 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendation 1 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report.

The Commission determined that insofar as Recommendations 2 and 3 of the Fall 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report address similar issues, they have been combined into a single revised Recommendation which is now identified as Recommendation 2 of the Fall 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report as follows:

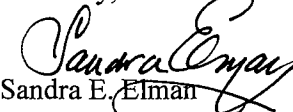
2. The evaluation committee recommends that USU intensify and focus its effort to identify, assess, and publish in the catalogue or other appropriate manner readily available to students and stakeholders, program-level student learning outcomes for both general education and all major program components of its degrees (Standard 2.C.2, 2.C.10 and 2.D.5).

The Commission requests that the University address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report in the Fall 2016 Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Self-Evaluation Report. In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report are areas where Utah State University is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement. A copy of the Recommendations is enclosed for your reference.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a peaceful and fulfilling New Year.

Sincerely,

  
Sandra E. Elman  
President

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Enclosure: Recommendations

cc: Dr. Michael Torrens, Director of Analysis, Assessment and Accreditation ✓