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via email: sghong@arizona.edu

Dear Dr. Hong,

Congratulations! It is with great enthusiasm that I inform you that University of Arizona's Teacher of the Visually Impaired program is in full compliance with the standards set forth in the AER Accreditation Program and has earned the distinction "AER Accredited." This Full Accreditation is effective March 4, 2021 and will expire March 3, 2026 at 11:59pm Eastern.

Please return the attached Authorization for Release of Information. AER will list on our website that your university has earned and been awarded this distinction.

Also, please note that the university is expected to complete and submit an Annual Update Report which confirms that the university remains in compliance. The report is also used to communicate any changes in the program. Your first Annual Update Report will be due December 31, 2021.

The Higher Education Accreditation Commission requests that you please include in your report how your review and discuss the Reading Assignments in ICSI.6.K1-2-3-4-5-6-8-13, as it was not clear from materials you provided to the panel. Documentation such as slide notes should be provided.

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Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Elly du Pré at Elly@aerbvi.org and also feel free to return the attached Feedback form to help us improve our accreditation process.

Again, congratulations! AER is grateful for the high standards reflected in your program and fully values your commitment to the field.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Richert'.

Mark Richert, Interim Executive Director

ATT: Annual Higher Education Report Form, Authorization for Release of Information, Feedback Form
cc: John McAllister, HEAC Committee Chair

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