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**Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs**

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Dr. Robert Robbins  
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Dear Dr. Robbins:

The Board of Directors (“Board”) of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) met July 11-13, 2024, for the purpose of making accreditation decisions. Three counseling specialty areas and a doctoral program housed in the College of Education at the University of Arizona were reviewed under the 2016 CACREP Standards. The Board made the following decisions:

**Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.A. degree)**

*Accredit*

**Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (M.A. degree)**

*Accredit*

**School Counseling (M.A. degree)**

*Reaffirm Accreditation*

**Counselor Education and Supervision (Ph.D. degree)**

*Reaffirm Accreditation*

*The University of Arizona offers the above-noted counseling specialty areas and doctoral program primarily in person with occasional use of synchronous video-conferencing.*

The Board based the above accreditation decision on an extensive review of the self-study documents, the site review team’s report, and the institution’s response to the site review team’s

report. The Board makes a decision to accredit or reaffirm accreditation when it determines that a counseling degree program is in full compliance with all applicable accreditation standards and policies.

The accreditation cycle for the Clinical Mental Health Counseling, Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling, and School Counseling specialty areas and the Counselor Education and Supervision doctoral program runs through October 31, 2032. Barring the interruption of accredited status for the specialty areas and doctoral program, resulting from voluntary withdrawal or the review of required reports during the accreditation cycle, the program's application and self-study report for reaffirmation of accreditation will be due approximately eighteen months prior to the cycle end date.

The CACREP Board approved additional retroactive recognition for program graduates (CACREP Policy A.3.i) due to delays in scheduling a site visit. The length of added time is based on the length of the delay that occurred. Retroactive recognition of graduates from the Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling specialty areas at the University of Arizona as graduates of a CACREP-accredited counseling degree program will extend back to July 11, 2022.

Please note Policy C.2 on "Publicizing Accreditation Status and Use of CACREP Certification Mark," in CACREP's new [Policy Document](#). Written requests for permission to use the CACREP Certification Mark should be sent to [cacrep@cacrep.org](mailto:cacrep@cacrep.org).

On behalf of the CACREP Board, I would like to extend my thanks to you and your administration for the support provided to the counseling program. Such support is considered vital to assuring continued quality in higher education programs. I extend congratulations, on behalf of the CACREP Board and Staff, to all of those involved in making this a successful accreditation review process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Sylvia Fernandez, Ph.D.".

M. Sylvia Fernandez, Ph.D.  
President and CEO

cc: Dr. Robert Q. Berry III, Dean, College of Education  
Dr. Jina Yoon, Department Head, Disability and Psychoeducational Studies  
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