



*Senior College and
University Commission*

June 3, 2020

Dr. Robert S. Nelsen
President
California State University, Sacramento
6000 J Street
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Dear President Nelsen:

The Commission Action Letter of June 30, 2017 requested that Sacramento State University (CSUSac) prepare a progress report due May 1, 2020 that included an update on the following information:

- a. Continued work to refine and improve the program review process including ensuring consistency in scheduling and engagement of external constituents.
- b. Ensure that the provost has adequate staff to support her roles and responsibilities, including the hiring and development of faculty.
- c. Continue to address student success through the active collaboration of the provost, deans, associate deans, department chairs, and the Faculty Senate.
- d. Develop structures and processes to centralize data reporting systems to ensure consistency, accuracy, and accessibility of data for the entire campus community.
- e. Continue to refine and implement a general education assessment plan that includes regular data collection, analysis, and implementation of recommendations.
- f. Improve the university website in order to support campus efforts to improve student success. This includes the establishment of governance mechanisms and the dedication of resources for ongoing maintenance.

The materials you submitted were reviewed by WSCUC staff. This letter confirms that CSUSac satisfactorily met the requirements of the progress report.

CSUSac is to be commended for an updated program review schedule and pending Academic Program Review Policy; using data to address student learning and success and adding resources to support faculty in revising policies related to student success; and restructuring offices in academic affairs and institutional research to provide better efficiencies, support for academic programs, and to address broader institutional needs. CSUSac is also to be commended for its thoughtful reimagining of the General Education program to clarify the definitions of general education learning outcomes, including addressing Race and Ethnicity as an outcome, reviewing graduate learning outcomes, and ensuring that systematic data analysis and assessment are an important part of the general education plan.

CSUSac's next interactions with WSCUC include the following:

- Mid-Cycle Review in spring 2022

- Offsite Review in spring 2026
- Accreditation Visit in fall 2027

As part of its institutional report for the Offsite Review to take place in spring 2022, CSUSac is expected to provide an update on the six recommendations listed in the Commission Action Letter of June 20, 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tamela H. Hawley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Tamela H. Hawley, Ph.D.
Vice President

Cc: Amy Wallace, ALO