

ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES

Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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CORRECTED LETTER

February 5, 2016

Dr. G.H. Javaheripour President Yuba College 2088 North Beale Road Marysville, CA 95901

Dear President Javaheripour:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 6-8, 2016, reviewed the Midterm Report submitted by Yuba College. The Midterm Report was certified by district and college leadership, including the chair of the governing board, the college president, Accreditation Liaison Officer, and leaders of the faculty and staff organizations.

Based on the College Midterm Report and evidence submitted, the Commission finds that the College has sustained the work accomplished after the last comprehensive evaluation and has maintained compliance with Standards previously identified in the comprehensive team report and linked to College Recommendations 1 through 11 and District Recommendations 1 through 5. The Report also included the Self-identified Improvement Plans from Standards I through IV in the Self Evaluation Report of 2012.

We wish to make note of the College's progression toward meeting standards in several areas which had deficiencies beyond the maximum time allowable by federal regulations. In its February 11, 2013 action letter following the comprehensive review of Yuba College, the Commission notified the College it had not demonstrated sustained resolution of the previously identified deficiencies in meeting standards noted in College Recommendations 3 and 4 (Standards I.B.3, I.B.6, I.B.7, II.A.1.b, II.A.1.c, III.A.2.a-b, II.A.2.e, II.B.2, II.B.3-4, II.C.2, II.C.2.i, IV.A.3, IV.A.5, ER 10, and ER 19). The College was informed that the deficiencies had to be resolved within one year, by October 15, 2013, or the Commission would be compelled to take action to terminate accreditation. The College submitted a report in October 2013, which was followed by an evaluation team visit. In its February 7, 2014 action letter, the Commission notified the College that it had still not resolved the deficiencies in meeting standards noted in College Recommendations 3 and 4. However, on the basis of the College's report and evidence, and the team's evaluation of the steps taken to address the deficiencies, the Commission granted a good cause extension to Yuba College, and required it to demonstrate full resolution of those deficiencies in meeting standards by October 15, 2014. In its February 6, 2015 action letter, the

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Commission notified the college that it had resolved the deficiencies in meeting standards for which a good cause extension had been granted. [Note, all other remaining deficiencies were resolved within the two-year period given by the Commission to do so.] The letter required that Yuba College demonstrate at the time of its next report, the Midterm Report in fall 2015, that the recent changes implemented to resolve deficiencies and meet standards were sustained. The Commission finds the College has demonstrated sustained compliance with those standards.

The Commission anticipates that the changes and improvements noted in the Midterm Report will continue forward in College policies, procedures, practices and outcomes. The College will submit its Institutional Self Evaluation of Educational Quality and Institutional Effectiveness Report in preparation for the comprehensive review in **fall 2018**.

The Midterm Report submitted in fall 2015 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. The Commission requires that you give the Midterm Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who were signatories of your Midterm Report. This group should include the campus leadership and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that these documents be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the College website. Please note that in response to public interest in disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution's home page.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to encourage your continued work to ensure Yuba College's educational quality and to support students' success. Professional self-regulation is the responsibility of an accredited college and the accreditor. Thank you for sharing in that responsibility.

Sincerely,

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