

March 12, 2021

Dr. Robin Bowen President Arkansas Tech University ATU Admin Bldg. 210 1509 N Boulder Ave Russellville, AR 72801

Dear President Bowen:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Arkansas Tech University by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on March 8, 2021. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

Action with Interim Monitoring. IAC continued the accreditation of Arkansas Tech University with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2030-31. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring.

Interim Report. An Interim Report due 9/30/2022 on Core Component 4B that includes:

- 1. Two full cycles of assessment for all degree programs, including General Education, and evidence that assessment involved substantial participation of relevant faculty and staff.
- 2. Identification of ways in which co-curricular assessment is reported annually and submission of their annual reports.
- 3. Evidence that assessment efforts have been integrated across campuses and among all modalities, disaggregating the data for student learning in different contexts.

In taking this action, the IAC considered materials from the most recent evaluation and the institutional response (if applicable) to the evaluation findings.

In two weeks, this action will be added to the Institutional Status and Requirements (ISR) Report, a resource for Accreditation Liaison Officers to review and manage information regarding the institution's accreditation relationship. Accreditation Liaison Officers may request the ISR Report on HLC's website at https://www.hlcommission.org/isr-request.

Within the next 30 days, HLC will also publish information about this action on its website at https://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/recent-actions.html.

Please note: Revisions to HLC's Criteria for Accreditation will go into effect on September 1, 2020. Institutions will be evaluated against the revised Criteria for all reviews conducted after that date, including reviews related to previously assigned monitoring. Institutional reports submitted after September 1, 2020, that reference the Criteria should be written to the revised version. More information about the revised Criteria, including a crosswalk between the current and revised versions, is available on HLC's website at https://www.hlcommission.org/criteria.

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If you have any questions about these documents after viewing them, please contact the institution's staff liaison John Marr. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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