

January 31, 2020

Dr. Michelle Behr
Chancellor
University of Minnesota-Morris
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Dear Chancellor Behr:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning University of Minnesota-Morris by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on January 27, 2020. 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 University of Minnesota-Morris with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2029-30. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring.

Embedded Monitoring Report. Interim Report embedded in the Year 4 review on a systemic approach to link assessment findings with evaluation of operations, institutional planning, budgeting, and decision-making.

Further, IAC voted to change the team's evaluation of Criteria 3B and 4B from "Met with Concerns" to "Met" and consequently that no monitoring should be assigned on Criteria 3B and 4B.

Rationale: Based on the institutional response provided, the institution has made significant progress in assessment of student learning. Through the guidance of the Assessment Facilitator and in consultation with the Assessment Council, every academic program has adopted student learning program outcomes. By spring 2020, a complete cycle of general education will be completed. A three-year cycle of assessment that addresses co-curricular will be completed by 2021-2022 academic year.

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 Tom Bordenkircher. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Gellman-Danley".

Barbara Gellman-Danley
President

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