



September 30, 2014

Dr. Philip G. Ryken
President
Wheaton College
501 College Ave.
Wheaton, IL 60187

Dear President Ryken:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Wheaton College by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on September 22, 2014. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

Action. IAC continued the accreditation of Wheaton College with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2023-24.

Rationale: IAC supported the team recommendation for the reaffirmation; however IAC did not support the team recommendation for an interim monitoring report focused on assessment. Based upon a strong institutional response from the President of Wheaton College in which the case was made that the materials requested had been provided and that reflective language in the self study had been misinterpreted. From the viewpoint of IAC, Wheaton seems, based on its response, to have clarified the concerns the team had that led to the recommendation of a report on assessment in May 2016.

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 <http://www.hlcommission.org/isr-request>.

Information on notifying the public of this action is available at <http://www.hlcommission.org/HLC-Institutions/institutional-reporting-of-actions.html>.

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

Sincerely,

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

Barbara Gellman-Danley
President

CC: ALO