

February 1, 2021

Dr. Kathleen Rose
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Dear Dr. Rose:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 13-15, 2021, reviewed the Follow-Up Report and related evidentiary materials submitted by Gavilan College. The Commission also considered the Peer Review Team Follow-Up Report prepared by the follow-up team that visited the institution on November 6, 2020. The purpose of this review was to determine whether the College has appropriately responded to the issues as identified by the peer review team at the time of the last visit and as expressed in the Commission's Action Letter of June 28, 2019, and whether the College has demonstrated compliance with the related Standards.

Upon consideration of the information noted above, the Commission acted to **Reaffirm Accreditation for the remainder of the cycle**. The Commission finds that Gavilan College has addressed the compliance requirements, corrected deficiencies, and meets Standard II.A.3 and ACCJC's Policy on Distance Education and Correspondence Education. The next report from the College will be the Midterm Report¹ due on March 15, 2023. The institution's next comprehensive review will occur in the spring term of 2026.

The Commission requires the College to disseminate the Follow-Up Report, the Team Report if any, and this letter within the institution, including by posting them on the College's website.

On behalf of the Commission, we wish to express appreciation for the diligent work and thoughtful reflection that Gavilan College undertook to respond to these requirements. These efforts confirm that peer review can serve well the multiple constituencies of higher education by both ensuring and encouraging institutional quality and effectiveness.

¹ Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-up Reports, and Special Reports to the Commission should review *Guidelines for the Preparing Institutional Reports to the Commission*, found on the ACCJC website at <https://accjc.org/guides-and-manuals/>.

If you have any questions about this letter or the Commission's action, please feel free to contact Dr. Stephanie Droker or the vice president that has been assigned as liaison to your institution.

Sincerely,



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cc: Ms. Denee Pescarmona, Accreditation Liaison Officer