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September 11, 2006

Chancellor Martha Saunders
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
800 W. Main St.
Whitewater, WI 53190-1790

Dear Chancellor Saunders:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken concerning University of Wisconsin-Whitewater by The Higher Learning Commission. At its meeting on August 28, 2006, the Institutional Actions Council (IAC) voted to continue the accreditation of University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, and to adopt any new items entered on the attached Statement of Affiliation Status (SAS). The Commission Board of Trustees validated the IAC action through its validation process that concluded on September 11, 2006. The date on this letter constitutes the effective date of your new status with the Commission.

Given the team report's comments on various on-going challenges, particularly assessment and diversity, IAC asked that the action letter mention specifically its support of the team's identification of those areas as deserving institutional attention. There is no required follow-up, just strong counsel to move forward with your efforts to attend to this challenges.

I have enclosed your institution's *Statement of Affiliation Status (SAS)* and *Organizational Profile (OP)*. These documents replace the previous two-part Record of Status and Scope. The *SAS* is a summary of your organization's ongoing relationship with the Commission. The *OP* is generated from data you provided in your most recent, (2005-06) Annual Report. If the current Commission action included changes to the demographic, site, or distance education information you reported in your Annual Report, we have made the change on the *Organizational Profile*. No other organizational information was changed.

The attached *Statement of Affiliation Status* and *Organizational Profile* will be posted to the Commission website on Monday, October 2. Before this public disclosure however, I ask that you verify the information in both documents, and inform me before Friday, September 29, of any concerns that you may have about these documents. Information about notifying the public of this action is found in Chapter 8.3-3 and 8.3-4 of the *Handbook of Accreditation, Third Edition*.

Please be aware of Commission policy on planned or proposed organizational changes that require Commission action before their initiation. You will find the Commission's change policy in Chapter 7.2 of the *Handbook of Accreditation*. I highly recommend that you review it with care and if you have any questions about how planned institutional changes might affect your relationship with the Commission, you write or call John A. Taylor, D.Mus.Ed., your staff liaison.



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On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I thank you and your associates for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven D. Crow".

Steven D. Crow
Executive Director

Enclosures: Statement of Affiliation Status
Organizational Profile

cc: Evaluation Team Members
Chair of the Board



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STATEMENT OF AFFILIATION STATUS

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-WHITEWATER
800 W. Main St.
Whitewater, WI 53190-1790

Affiliation Status: Candidate: Not Applicable
Accreditation: (1915-22; 1943- .)

PEAQ PARTICIPANT

Nature of Organization

Legal Status: Public
Degrees Awarded: A, B, M, S

Conditions of Affiliation:

Stipulations on Affiliation Status: Accreditation at the Specialist degree level is limited to the Educational Specialist Degree (Ed.S.).

Approval of New Degree Sites: Prior Commission approval required.

Approval of Distance Education Degrees: No prior Commission approval required for the delivery of online degree programs.

Reports Required: None.

Other Visits Scheduled: None.

Summary of Commission Review

Year of Last Comprehensive Evaluation: 2005 - 2006

Year for Next Comprehensive Evaluation: 2015 - 2016

Date of Last Action: 09/11/2006

Name Change:

Wisconsin State College at Whitewater to Wisconsin State University at Whitewater (1964) to University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (1972)



ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-WHITEWATER
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Enrollment Demographics (by headcount) (HLC Posted: 06/05/2006)

	<u>Full-Time</u>	<u>Part-Time</u>
Undergraduate:	8572	815
Graduate:	378	985
Post-baccalaureate First Professional:	0	0
Non-Credit headcount:		0

Educational Programs (HLC Posted: 06/05/2006)

		<u>Program Distribution</u>	<u>Degrees Awarded</u>
Leading to Undergraduate degrees:	Associate	1	6
	Bachelors	46	1797
Leading to Graduate degrees:	Masters	13	380
	Specialist	1	8
	First Professional	0	0
	Doctoral	0	0
Certificate Programs:	Pre-Associate	0	0
	Other Undergraduate	6	0
	Post-baccalaureate	4	0

Dual Enrollment (HLC Posted: 06/05/2006)

Headcount in all dual enrollment (high school) 21

Off-Campus Activities (HLC Posted: 06/05/2006)

In-State: Campuses: None
 Sites: Janesville (UW Rock County) ; Madison (American Family Ins.)
 Course Locations: 10

Out-of-State: Campuses: None
 Sites: None
 Course Locations: None

Out-of-U.S.: Campuses: None
 Sites: None
 Course Locations: None

Distance Education Certificate and Degree (HLC Posted: 06/05/2006)

Master of Business Administration

Internet