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Subject: Message from Dr. Postel re: SACS accreditation

Students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends,

I am delighted to inform you that the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges has removed the University of Louisville's probationary status, effective immediately.

In making its decision, SACSCOC noted the university's extensive efforts to address the concerns raised in the past year in areas of finance, administration and governance. As we have stressed throughout this process, the quality of our academic programs was never under question. Our faculty continue to provide our students with an outstanding education, and a UofL degree continues to be valued.

Due to the probationary status, our regular SACS reaccreditation process was interrupted last December. That process will resume immediately, and SACS will conduct a site visit this spring. We are prepared for that visit and expect a positive outcome.

I want to thank Bob Goldstein, Connie Shumake, Joanne Webb and the entire UofL SACS team for their diligent efforts to work with SACSCOC throughout this year. I also want to thank Board Chair David Grissom and Interim CFO Susan Howarth, who helped present our case at the SACSCOC meeting this weekend. And I want to thank all of you for continuing your important efforts in the classroom, labs, offices and throughout the community as we worked through these issues.

With this hurdle cleared, I am confident we are headed in the right direction, and I look forward to continuing to work with our faculty, staff, students and alumni to ensure a bright future for UofL.

Greg Postel, M.D. Interim President