



**University of Louisville**  
**SACSCOC SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE**  
**AND RELATED ACCREDITATION REPORTS**  
 (Since 2017-18 Reaffirmation)



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Year	Program/Report	Unit	Description of Substantive Change/ Date of Notification	Follow-up/Action
2023	M.A.T. in Art Education	CEHD	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 02.10.2023) sent 02.10.2023	
2023	M.S. in Business Analytics	Business	Letter of notification of new method of delivery (remote instruction) for existing program (dated 02.07.23) sent 02.07.23	
2022	M.Eng. In Industrial Engineering	Speed	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 11.14.2022) sent 11.14.2022	
2022	Rowan Off-Campus Instructional Site (OCIS)	A&S	Letter of notification of new OCIS (dated 11.14.22) sent 11.14.22	
2022	ShelbyHurst Off-Campus Instructional Site (OCIS)	Kent	Letter of notification of new OCIS (dated 09.23.22) sent 09.23.22	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated November 30, 2022.</i>
2022	University of Luxembourg (UNILUX) Dual Degrees - J.D. (UofL) and Master of Space, Communication, and Media Law (L.L.M.) (UNILUX)	Law	Letter of notification (dated 9.7.22) sent 9.7.22	<i>Dual degrees approved by SACSCOC in letter dated November 28, 2022.</i>
2022	EBS BSGM and UofL BSBA Dual Degree	Business	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 8.8.2022) sent 8.22.2022	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated December 9, 2022.</i>
2022	Master of Accountancy (MAC)	Business	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 6.6.2022) sent 6.7.2022	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated December 9, 2022.</i>
2022	EKU Dual Degrees: BS Civil or Electrical or Industrial or Mechanical Engineering (UofL) - BS Physics (EKU)	Speed	Letter of notification (dated 05.23.22) sent 05.24.22	<i>Dual degrees approved by SACSCOC in letter dated November 8, 2022.</i>
2022	MS in Electrical Engineering	Speed	Letter of notification of new method of delivery (remote instruction) for existing program (dated 04.26.22) sent 04.26.22	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated September 26, 2022.</i>
2022	BA in Art History	A&S	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 2.8.2022) sent 2.9.2022	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated July 8, 2022.</i>
2021	University of New York in Prague Off-Campus Instructional Site	CEHD	Request for approval of off-campus instructional site closure and teach-out plan (dated 12.15.2021) sent 12.16.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated July 22, 2022.</i>
2021	Joint BS in Electrical Engineering with Western Kentucky University	Speed	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 10.29.2021) sent 11.01.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 18, 2022.</i>
2021	Western Kentucky University Off-Campus Instructional Site	Speed	Request for approval of off-campus instructional site closure and teach-out plan (dated 10.29.2021) sent 11.01.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 18, 2022.</i>

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2021	Graduate Certificate in Logistics and Distribution	Speed	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 10.29.2021) sent 11.01.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 4, 2022.</i>
2021	BA in Psychology	A&S	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 08.10.2021) sent 08.10.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 4, 2022.</i>
2021	MS in Health Data Analytics	SPHIS	Request for approval of program closure for face-to-face delivery method and teach-out plan (dated 07.22.2021) sent 07.21.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 4, 2022.</i>
2021	Doctorate of Social Work	Kent	Letter of notification of new program (dated 06.23.2021) sent 06.25.2021	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated February 21, 2022.</i>
2021	Graduate Certificate in Horseracing Industry Business	Business	Letter of notification of new program (dated 06.23.2021) sent 06.25.2021	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated February 21, 2022.</i>
2021	Graduate Certificate in Family Business Management and Advising	Business	Letter of notification of new program (dated 06.23.2021) sent 06.25.2021	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated February 21, 2022.</i>
2021	MA in French, Language and Literature	A&S	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 06.08.2021) sent 06.08.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated August 13, 2021.</i>
2021	Graduate Certificate in Translation and Interpreting	A&S	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 06.08.2021) sent 06.08.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated August 13, 2021.</i>
2021	Executive Master in Business Administration	Business	Request for approval of program closure and teach-out plan (dated 06.08.2021) sent 06.08.2021	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated August 13, 2021.</i>
2021	University of Kentucky Off-Campus Instructional Site	Business	Request for approval of off-campus instructional site closure and teach-out plan (dated 06.08.2021) sent 06.08.2021	<i>Closure approval by SACSCOC in letter dated August 13, 2021.</i>
2021	MS in Industrial Engineering	Speed	Letter of notification of new method of delivery (remote instruction) for existing program (dated 03.03.21) sent 03.04.21	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated August 3, 2021.</i>
2021	BA in Political Science	A&S	Letter of notification of new method of delivery (remote instruction) for existing program (dated 03.03.21) sent 03.04.22	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated August 4, 2021.</i>
2021	Graduate Certificate in African American Theatre	A&S	Letter of notification of new method of delivery (remote instruction) for existing program (dated 03.03.21) sent 03.04.23	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated August 4, 2021.</i>
2020	UofL Program Closure – MEd in Literacy	CEHD	Letter of Notification (dated 9/30) and Teach-out Plan sent 10.7.20	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 26, 2021.</i>
2020	UofL Program Closure – MEd in Instructional Technology	CEHD	Letter of Notification (dated 9/30) and Teach-out Plan sent 10.7.20	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 26, 2021.</i>

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2020	UofL Program Closure – BS in Atmospheric Sciences	Arts & Sciences	Letter of Notification (dated 9/30) and Teach-out Plan sent 10.7.20	<i>Closure approved by SACSCOC in letter dated February 26, 2021.</i>
2020	UofL Dual Degree Agreement with Heilbronn University Graduate School (HUGS)	Business	Letter of Notification and agreement sent to SACSCOC 8.28.20 for MS in Management (HUGS) MBA (UofL)	<i>Notification accepted by SACSCOC in letter dated February 22, 2021.</i>
2020	UofL Agreement with Al Alamein International University (AIU) - Egypt	Speed	Prospectus Report sent to SACSCOC on 6.29.20	<i>On 9.1.20, the UofL Accreditation Liaison requested the prospectus report be withdrawn by SACSCOC. Per Speed they will start with classes at AIU under the 25% threshold in Spring 2021 and will resubmit a new prospectus for summer 2021 (deadline 1.1.2021)</i>
2019	SACSCOC Annual Conference 12.2019 in Houston Texas	President/ Accreditation Liaison	SACSCOC Board of Trustees reviewed the monitoring report.	<i>No additional report requested per SACSCOC Letter dated 1.14.20</i>
2019	UofL Monitoring Report on CS 13.3 was submitted on 9.9.19	President/ Accreditation Liaison	The monitoring report for 13.3 was submitted. An extension request was sent to SACS for the FY19 Financial Statements.	<i>SACSCOC Letter dated 9.11.19 gave permission to submit the financial statements on 10.11.19 - done</i>
2019	SACSCOC letter of notification dated 1.15.19 confirmed UofL reaffirmation and requested a monitoring report on CS 13.3	President/ Accreditation Liaison	The Monitoring Report on CS 13.3 (Financial Responsibilities) and copies of financial audit reports including financial aid is due on 9.9.19.	

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2018	SACSCOC Annual Conference 12.2018 in Dallas Texas	President/ Accreditation Liaison	The UofL Reaffirmation Report and QEP was voted on by the Commission on Colleges.	<i>Reports for CR 13.1 and CS 10.8 accepted by SACSCOC. On 12.9.18, UofL was reaffirmed by SACSCOC. <a href="https://louisville.edu/accreditation/accreditation- files/2018-reaffirmation- documentation">https://louisville.edu/accreditation/accreditation- files/2018-reaffirmation- documentation</a></i>
2018	UofL Response to the SACSCOC On- site Committee Report was submitted on 8.24.18	President/ Accreditation Liaison	UofL response to SACSCOC Letter dated 5.2.18: A report addressing CR 13.1 and CS 10.8 was sent along with 6 copies of the QEP report. The university requested an extension to submit the financial statements for FY18.	<i>SACSCOC Letter dated 9.14.18 indicated the university had until 10/10/18 to submit the FY18 financial statements .</i>
2018	UofL Letter to SACSCOC dated 7.30.18, dual degree agreement with Murray State University	SPHIS	The dual degree will start effective fall 2018. Students in the five-year program will complete 7 seven semesters at Murray working on a BA/BS in Math and the complete three semesters at UofL in the MS in Biostatistics.	<i>SACSCOC Letter of 11.15.18 accepted the notification of the agreement.</i>
2018	UofL Letter to SACSCOC dated 5.14.18, PhD in Art History	A&S	PhD in Art History closed in fall 2015 due to declining enrollments.	<i>SACSCOC Letter of 8.28.18 - approved closing PhD in Art History (Late report).</i>
2018	UofL Letter to SACSCOC dated 5.14.18, MED in Community Health	CEHD	Master of Education in Community Health closed due to declining enrollments effective summer 2018.	<i>SACSCOC Letter of 8.28.18 – approved closing MED in Community Health</i>
2018	UofL Letter to SACSCOC dated 5.14.18, Closure of Paralegal AS Degree	A&S	Associate Degree in Paralegal Studies closed effective summer 2018 due to declining enrollments.	<i>SACSCOC Letter of 8.28.2018 - approved closing AS in Paralegal Studies.</i>
2018	On-site Committee Visit: 3/26 - 29, 2018	President/ Accreditation Liaison	Dr. Pat Donat and the SACSCOC On-site Committee visited UofL. The exit meeting report issued by the committee focused on non-compliance with two standards: CR 13.1 (formerly 2.11.1) CS 10.8	<i>The final SACSCOC On-site Committee Report was dated 5.2.18, and the due date for the UofL response was 8.29.18</i>

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2018	UofL submits its Focused Report and Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) 2.9.2018	President/ Accreditation Liaison	The Focused Report & QEP addressed the following standards: 2.2, 2.7.4, 2.11.1, 2.11.2, 2.12 QEP, 3.2.1, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, 3.2.5, 3.2.8, 3.2.9, 3.2.13, 3.3.1.1, 3.3.2 QEP, 3.4.9, 3.4.11, 3.5.2, 3.7.1, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.11.3, 3.13.1, 3.13.2, 4.9	<i>The Focused Report and QEP will be reviewed during the On-site Committee Visit: March 26-29, 2018</i>
2017	SACSCOC Annual Meeting – December, 2017	President/ Accreditation Liaison/CFO	The President, Accreditation Liaison & CFO attended the C&R Committee meeting to present the university’s position on the probation action.	<i>December 2-5, 2017 at the SACSCOC annual conference, the commission voted to lift the probation action.</i>
2017	SACSCOC requested verification of the Health Sciences Center as an instructional site 10.17.17	Accreditation Liaison	Department of Homeland Security asked SACSCOC for verification that HSC was an approved instructional site. UofL provided a copy of the 1997 SACSCOC reaffirmation committee report from April 1997.	<i>October 31, 2017 letter from SACSCOC stated that HSC will be listed in the commission database as approved as of 12.5.1997.</i>
2017	UofL provided a written response to the two Special Committee recommendations on 11.1.17	President/ Accreditation Liaison	<b>The two recommendations were:</b> <b>CS 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers) Recommendation 1:</b> The committee recommends that the institution provide evidence that it has qualified administrative and academic officers with the experience and competence to lead the institution. <b>CS 3.2.13 (Institution-related entities) Recommendation 2:</b> The committee recommends that the institution demonstrate that it has a signed, clear, formal written agreement with the University of Louisville Real Estate Foundation, Inc., that conforms to all the expectations of the standard.	
2017	SACSCOC Special Visit Committee 9/11-12, 2017	President/ Accreditation Liaison	The Special Visit Committee came to UofL to address the probation and additional items requested by SACSCOC.	<i>SACSCOC Special Visit Committee report issued in Sept. 2017 had two recommendations.</i>
2017	August 15, 2017 – UofL submitted report on the Investigation of senior officials	Accreditation Liaison	A report on the UofL investigation of senior officials (Dunn/Hancock) was submitted to SACSCOC at the 8.15.17 meeting in Atlanta, GA.	<i>Dr. Wheelan wrote on 8.15.17 to Dr. Postel to confirm receipt of the written report on the investigation of senior officials submitted in response to her letter of March 4, 2016. Dr. Wheelan stated "there is no additional follow-up required by your institution."</i>
2017	August 15, 2017 - Dr. Gregory Postel requested a meeting with Dr. Belle Wheelan to discuss the university’s probationary status.	President/ Accreditation Liaison	The university’s monitoring report addressed the four standards related to the initial probation action and included reports on the five additional standards as requested by SACSCOC staff on January 27, May 25, and July 5, 2017: Probation Reports 1. Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board) 2. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.1. (CEO evaluation/selection) 3. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.4. (External influence) 4. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.5. (Board dismissal) Additional Reports 5. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.3. (Conflict of interest) 6. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8. (Qualified administrative/academic officers) 7. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.13. (Institution-related entities) 8. Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1. (Financial Stability) 9. Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3. (Control of finances).	<i>The university submitted the First Monitoring/Probation Report to SACSCOC at this meeting.</i>

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2017	SACSCOC requested the submission of two reports by July 31, 2017	Accreditation Liaison	UofL sent two reports documenting compliance with: - Comprehensive Standard 3.2.3. (Conflict of Interest) - Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8. (Qualified administrative/academic officers).	<i>UofL report submitted 7.31.17</i>
2017	UofL Letter of 7.17.17 notified SACSCOC of 3+3 degrees in Law	Law	Law School established 3+3 agreements with Campbellsville University, Kentucky Wesleyan and Murray State University effective 8.2017.	<i>Approved by SACS 1.16.18</i>
2017	SACSCOC letter of July 5, 2017 to UofL expanded the scope of the Special Visit to include the Forensic Audit Report.	President/ Accreditation Liaison	<p><b>Two Points:</b> SACSCOC requested the submission of two reports by July 31, 2017, documenting compliance with: - Comprehensive Standard 3.2.3. (Conflict of Interest) - Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8. (Qualified administrative/academic officers).</p> <p>Dr. Wheelan stated – “the committee will review the following specific standards and may extend its initial focus if any evidence of additional accreditation-related compliance concerns comes to its attention.”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board)</li> <li>2. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.1. (CEO evaluation/selection)</li> <li>3. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.3. (Conflict of interest)</li> <li>4. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.4. (External influence)</li> <li>5. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.5. (Board dismissal)</li> <li>6. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8. (Qualified administrative/academic officers)</li> <li>7. Comprehensive Standard 3.2.13. (Institution-related entities)</li> <li>8. Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1. (Financial Stability)</li> <li>9. Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3. (Control of finances).</li> </ol>	<p><i>The special visit committee from SACSCOC will be at UofL on September 19 - 21, 2017. The committee will prepare a report on results of that visit and their review of the probation reports, and the added standards. The special visit report will be presented along with the university’s response and voted on by the Commission on Colleges at the annual meeting in December 2017.</i></p>
2017	Accreditation liaison sent to SACSCOC the Forensic Audit Report of the UofL Foundation on 6.9.17	Accreditation Liaison	Accreditation liaison sent to SACSCOC via email the Forensic Audit Report on the UofL Foundation completed by Alvarez & Marsal.	
2017	SACSCOC Letter dated May 25, 2017 regarding the March 1, 2017 report submitted by the university.	Accreditation Liaison	The May 25 <sup>th</sup> response letter did not list Comprehensive Standard 3.2.9, but requested additional reports on: - Comprehensive Standard 3.2.13 (Institution Related Entities), - Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), and a new standard, - Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability).	<i>Per SACSCOC, "These standards are to be reviewed by the Special Visit Committee in September 2017."</i>
2017	SPHIS Dual degree with KSU - UofL Letter 3.31.17 to SACSCOC	School of Public Health and Information Sciences	UofL Letter dated 3.31.17 - Dual degree with KSU. BA/BS in Math or Stats at KSU and MS in Biostatistics at UofL.	<i>Approved by SACS 8.23.17</i>
2017	UofL Response to SACSCOC letter dated 9.28.16 requesting a Substantive Change 3.12.1 report was sent 3.13.17.	Accreditation Liaison	UofL Substantive Change 3.12.1 report is due to SACSCOC on 3.15.17	<i>UofL report sent on 3.13.17 email, hard copies sent by UPS. Report approved by SACSCOC on 7.30.17.</i>
2017	SACSCOC Letter Dated 3.17.17 – Response to request to move-up probation review	President	SACSCOC Executive Council reviewed university’s request to move review to June 2017.	<i>UofL request denied.</i>
2017	Appointment of Interim President	Accreditation Liaison	UofL Letter sent on 1.23.17 to inform SACSCOC of Dr. Postel’s appointment effective 1.30.17.	<i>SACSCOC confirmed on 2.6.17</i>
2017	SACSCOC letter dated 1.27.17 requested information about the KY State Auditor Review	President/ Accreditation Liaison	SACSCOC requested a report on 3.2.9, 3.2.13 and 3.10.3 based on state audit findings. Report due on 3.3.17	<i>UofL sent report to SACSCOC 3.1.17</i>
2017	Governor’s appointment of a new board of trustees - Senate Bill (SB) 12.	President	UofL Letter from Acting President Pinto sent to SACSCOC dated 1.20.17	

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2017	SACSCOC letter of notification dated 1.12.17	President	UofL reaffirmation of 2017 “delayed pending the final resolution of the university’s probationary status.”	<i>FYI only</i>
2017	SACSCOC letter of notification dated 1.11.17 placed UofL on probation.	President	The letter stated “the institution is requested to submit a first monitoring report due four weeks prior to the date of the special visit committee.”	<i>SACSCOC Special Visit Committee at UofL: 9/11-12, 2017</i>