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**Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs**

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Dr. Yancy Freeman  
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Dear Dr. Freeman:

The Board of Directors (“Board”) of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) met January 11-13, 2024, for the purpose of making accreditation decisions. Two counseling specialty areas housed in the College of Education, Health, and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Tennessee at Martin were reviewed under the 2016 CACREP Standards. The Board made the following decisions:

**Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.S.Ed. degree)**

*Accredit*

**School Counseling (M.S.Ed. degree)**

*Accredit*

*The Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling specialty areas are offered in a fully digitally delivered format.*

The Board based the above accreditation decisions on an extensive review of the self-study documents, the site review team’s report, and the institution’s response to the site review team’s report. The Board makes a decision to accredit when it determines that the program has demonstrated that a counseling specialty area is in full compliance with all applicable accreditation standards and policies.

The accreditation cycle for the Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling specialty areas runs through March 31, 2032. Barring the interruption of accredited status for the specialty areas, resulting from voluntary withdrawal or the review of required reports during the accreditation cycle, the program's application and self-study report for reaffirmation of accreditation will be due approximately eighteen months prior to the cycle end date.

Please note [CACREP Policy 4.b - Publicizing Accreditation Status and Use of CACREP Logo](#). Written requests for permission to use the CACREP Certification Mark should be sent to [cacrep@cacrep.org](mailto:cacrep@cacrep.org).

On behalf of the CACREP Board, I would like to extend my thanks to you and your administration for the support provided to the counseling program. Such support is considered vital to assuring continued quality in higher education programs. I extend congratulations, on behalf of the CACREP Board and Staff, to all of those involved in making this a successful accreditation review process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Sylvia Fernandez, Ph.D.".

M. Sylvia Fernandez, Ph.D.  
President and CEO

cc: Dr. Cynthia West, Dean, College of Education, Health, and Behavioral Sciences  
Dr. Clinton Smith, Chair, Department of Educational Studies  
Dr. Deborah Gibson, CACREP Liaison