

May 27, 2014

Dr. Ray Perren President Lanier Technical College 2990 Landrum Education Drive Oakwood, GA 30566

Dear Dr. Perren:

Thank you for your letter of April 17, 2014, providing SACSCOC with additional information requested in our letter of December 16, 2013, regarding the implementation of the A.A.S. in Histology Technician degree program. The Commission requested the following additional information regarding the degree program:

- 1. Please document the qualification of Ms. Sarah Davis to teach Humanities 1101.
- 2. In regard to the proposed full-time Program Director of the program, please document the qualifications of the individual that is hired.
- 3. Please describe the library and learning resources specific to the discipline of Histology that are available to faculty and students in the program, both print and electronic formats.

Your response indicates that Ms. Davis will no longer teach HUMN 1101. The College will substitute ENGL2130 in its place and HUMN 1101 will not be taught until a qualified instructor can be found who is qualified to teach the course. Also, a long list of discipline-specific library resources indicates that the institution has the necessary resources, both in print and electronic formats, to support the histology discipline.

Your response does not, however, provide any documentation of the qualifications for the proposed Program Director for the A.A.S. in Histology Technician degree program. Your prospectus noted that the full-time person hired would have a bachelor's degree in a related field, be a nationally certified histotechnician, and have three years' experience in clinical and academic positions. **Please document the qualifications of the individual that is hired.** 

Our letter also requested the planned implementation date for the degree program. Please provide the planned implementation date of the degree program.

We defer action concerning the approval of the A.A.S. in Histology Technician degree program pending review of the above requested information. Please provide this information by July 11, 2014.

Best regards,

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