November 16, 2026

Dr. John Karl Scholz
President
University of Oregon
1585 East 13th Avenue
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Dear President Scholz:

With the adoption of new NWCCU Standards, NWCCU has reviewed all institutions' Outstanding Recommendations to ensure that:

- The correct NWCCU Standards are cited
- The language of the recommendations does not conflict with expectations for the new Standards
- Recommendations that are no longer relevant under the new Standards are identified and discontinued

After reviewing the Recommendations for University of Oregon, we have finalized them as listed below. Each Recommendation includes:

- Recommendation Number
- Visit and Report Origin (e.g., 2024 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness)
- Associated new (2027) NWCCU Eligibility Requirements and Standards
- Recommendation status (substantially in compliance, needs improvement; non-compliant; or discontinued)

Recommendations Substantially in Compliance but in Need of Improvement

- Recommendation 1: Fall 2024 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness: Build upon its success in reformulating its general education program by constructing and executing a rigorous and comprehensive Core Education assessment plan that uses its results to improve student learning outcomes. (2027 Standard(s): 1.C.8;1.C.9)
- Recommendation 2: Fall 2024 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness: Systematically evaluate the effectiveness of academic advising to ensure that all students have knowledge of and access to appropriate programs and services that support their success. (2027 Standard(s): 2.E.7)

The Recommendation language and discontinuations in this letter supersede all previous communications. The Recommendations listed above are those your institution should now address.

Institutions with reports or visits in Fall 2026 underwent the same review as other institutions; however, the Commission will determine the final status of any Recommendations addressed in those reports, and any language changes to continuing Recommendations, at its Winter 2027 meeting.

The dates of your visit schedule with corresponding Recommendations to be addressed are listed below:

Future Evaluations

- Mid-Cycle Review Fall 2028
    - Recommendation 1: Fall 2024 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness
    - Recommendation 2: Fall 2024 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness
- Year 6 - Standard 2 - Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review Fall 2030
- Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness Fall 2032

NWCCU is committed to an evidence-informed accreditation process that promotes student success while contributing to public accountability; we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have any questions about the information in this letter, please contact your NWCCU liaison, Dr. Lindsay Couzens, at lcouzens@nwccu.org.

Sincerely,

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