



October 28, 2025

Dr. Stephen Pruitt
President
SACS Commission on Colleges
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Re: Notification – New Program – Graduate Certificate in Technology Commercialization

Dear Dr. Pruitt,

Please accept this letter as notification of a new program, the graduate certificate in Technology Commercialization, beginning August 17, 2026.

The 12-hour graduate certificate in Technology Commercialization, with 25% new course content, will be offered as an add-on program available to students in the Tickle College of Engineering and the Haslam College of Business. This program will be offered face-to-face at the main Knoxville campus.

Please contact me if you need more information.

Sincerely,

Heather Hartman, Ph.D.
Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Effectiveness
and SACSCOC Liaison

Cc: Donde Plowman, Chancellor
John Zomchick, Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor
Beth Avery Foster, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
Steven Mangum, Dean, Haslam College of Business
Matthew Mench, Dean, Tickle College of Engineering