



September 17, 2024

Dr. Donde Ashmos Plowman
Chancellor
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
800 Andy Holt Tower, 1331 Circle Park Drive
Knoxville, TN 37996-0180

Dear Dr. Plowman:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

**Coop Acad Arr Non-Title IV Entities-Notification
Bachelor of Science in Information Sciences**

Submission date:

8/28/2024

Intended Implementation date:

2/18/2021

Case ID:

SC028304

The institution has entered into an academic agreement with Podium Education, Inc. (Podium), located in Austin, Texas through which the institution will offer courses which may be applied to the Bachelor of Science in Information Sciences or as elective coursework to any other undergraduate degree program.

The institution indicated that this was an unreported substantive change.

Credits will be recorded on the academic transcripts as awarded by the institution. Under this arrangement, the non-title IV institution/entity is responsible for offering a maximum of 12 credit hours (10%) of the content of the program listed above.

The institution affirms that Podium is not certified to participate in U.S. Department of Education title IV programs and is therefore a non-title IV entity. The institution intends for all students enrolled in the programs covered under the agreement to be eligible to receive title IV federal financial aid for any portion of the program completed at Podium.

A copy of the fully executed and dated agreement was provided. It noted the scope and responsibilities of each entity within the agreement. The names of contact information of the principal parties at the institution and Podium were provided in the agreement and the submission documentation.

The agreement is effective February 18, 2021, and will continue for a period of five years. The agreement will automatically renew for successive 1-year renewal terms. Parties can provide each other with written notice of non-renewal at least six months prior to the end of the then-current term.



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We accept notification of the cooperative academic arrangement between the institution and Podium Education, Inc., an entity not certified to participate in Title IV, to offer the Bachelor of Science in Information Sciences.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. J. Matthew Melton at (404) 994-6553 or via email at mmelton@sacscoc.org.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Sightler', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kevin W. Sightler, Ph.D.
Director of Substantive Change

KWS:TBB/mdm

cc: Dr. Heather G. Hartman, Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Effectiveness, The
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Dr. J. Matthew Melton, Vice President, SACSCOC