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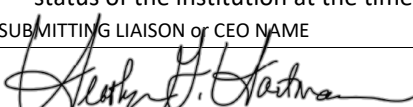
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May 16, 2024

Dr. Kevin Sightler
Substantive Change Office
SACS Commission on Colleges
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Re: Closure of Nurse Executive Practice Graduate Certificate

Dear Kevin,

Please accept this letter as notification of the closure of an existing graduate certificate program in Nurse Executive Practice, effective July 31, 2024.

The program began accepting applications for admission in 2019, and one student was admitted in the 2020-2021 academic year and completed the certificate in 2021. As of December 1, 2023, the admission cycle deadline for 2024-2025, there were no further applicants. After two cycles with no solicited interest or applications, the college has stopped accepting applications.

No matriculated students are in the program; therefore, no teach-out plan is needed. There will be no effect on the faculty and staff workload or employment with the closure of this certificate program. Faculty discussions regarding the program closure began in 2023, and all affected faculty were aware of the planned closure due to no applications over a 3-year period.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Heather Hartman
SACSCOC Liaison

Attachment

Cc: John Zomchick, Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor
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