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October 29, 2024

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

Re: SC028306– Request for Additional Information – Program Closure – Graduate Certificate in Urban Education

Dear Kevin,

Please see requested information regarding the closure of the graduate certificate in Urban Education.

1. Please provide a description of how prospective students were/will be notified of the closure.

Prospective students inquiring about the Urban Education graduate certificate program were to be directed to the online Social Justice Education graduate certificate. However, this redirection proved unnecessary given that there were no inquiries about the Urban Education graduate certificate program.

2. Please provide a description of how the institutional community, including applicants to the program, recruiters, and admissions staff were informed of the program closure.

On February 17, 2022, Graduate Council approved the closure of the Urban Education graduate certificate program. The institutional community was informed when the curriculum proposal to end the Urban Education graduate certificate program was approved at the college-level, graduate curricular committee, graduate council, and faculty senate.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Heather Hartman SACSCOC Liaison

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