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RE: Program #0660

Previous Accreditation Status: 8 Years

Most Recent Site Visit: 02/2024

Dear Dr. Ellis:

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) conducted an unannounced site visit of the baccalaureate degree radiography program sponsored by California Baptist University. The JRCERT is the only agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) for the accreditation of traditional and distance delivery educational programs in radiography, radiation therapy, magnetic resonance, and medical dosimetry. Specialized accreditation awarded by the JRCERT offers institutions significant value by providing peer evaluation and by assuring the public of quality professional education in the radiologic sciences.

The continuing accreditation status of the program was considered at the May 15, 2024 meeting of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology. The program was evaluated according to the **Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography (2021)**. The JRCERT awards:

PROBATION.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.100, this accreditation action is not subject to appeal.

The Committee based this decision on areas of non-compliance with **Standards One, Three, Four, Five, and Six:**

Objective 1.1 - Lack of assurance that the sponsoring institution and program provide students, faculty, and the public with policies, procedures, and relevant information. Policies and procedures must be fair, equitably applied, and readily available.

Objective 1.3 - Lack of assurance that the sponsoring institution and program have student recruitment and admission practices that are nondiscriminatory and consistent with published policies.

Objective 1.6 - Lack of assurance that the program publishes program effectiveness data (credentialing examination pass rate, job placement rate, and program completion rate) on an annual basis.

Objective 3.3 - Lack of assurance that the sponsoring institution and program assure the responsibilities of faculty and clinical staff are delineated and performed.

Objective 4.2 - Lack of assurance that the program provides a well-structured curriculum that prepares students to practice in the professional discipline.

Objective 4.7 - Lack of assurance that the program measures didactic, laboratory, and clinical courses in clock hours and/or credit hours through the use of a consistent formula.

Objective 4.8 - Lack of assurance that the program provides timely and supportive academic and clinical advisement to students enrolled in the program.

Objective 5.4 - Lack of assurance that the program assures that medical imaging procedures are performed under the appropriate supervision of a qualified radiographer.

Objective 6.1 - Lack of assurance that the program maintains the following program effectiveness data: Five-year average credentialing examination pass rate of not less than 75 percent at first attempt within six months of graduation.

The program's current five-year (2019-2023) average credentialing examination pass rate at first attempt within six months of graduation is 63% (32/51).

Objective 6.2 - Lack of assurance that the program analyzes and shares its program effectiveness data to facilitate ongoing program improvement.

Objective 6.4 - Lack of assurance that the program analyzes and shares student learning outcome data to facilitate ongoing program improvement.

Objective 6.5 - Lack of assurance that the program periodically reevaluates its assessment process to assure continuous program improvement.

The previously required interim report due the Fourth Quarter of 2024 is no longer required.

The next site visit is tentatively scheduled for the Second Quarter of 2025. The continuing accreditation materials will be forwarded to the program at a future date and will include a submission timetable.

Consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.400, the maximum compliance timeframe is 24 months. Based on the areas of non-compliance, the Board of Directors are awarding a 24-month compliance timeframe. Therefore, the program must document compliance with all accreditation standards no later than **May 15, 2026**.

As required by the USDE and consistent with the **maximum** compliance timeframes set forth in JRCERT Policy 11.400, when the JRCERT Board of Directors determines that a program has failed to document compliance with the **Standards** and has not satisfactorily addressed the identified deficiencies, the existing accreditation status will be withdrawn. Such involuntary withdrawal of accreditation is considered an adverse accreditation action. The JRCERT defines an adverse action as involuntary withdrawal of accreditation. Involuntary withdrawal of accreditation will generally, but not necessarily, occur after a Probationary Accreditation status has been awarded. The board may take adverse action prior to the expiration of the maximum compliance timeframe. Probationary status, as well as an adverse accreditation action, requires written notification to the United States Secretary of Education, the appropriate State licensing or authorizing agency, appropriate institutional and/or other accrediting agencies, and the public.

Probationary Accreditation is an accreditation category and, consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.100, this action is not subject to appeal. Consistent with JRCERT Policy 10.700 (enclosed), the program must notify currently enrolled and accepted students, as well as the public via a website posting, of this status within 30 days of receipt of this letter. The program is required to submit a representative sample of such notification and list of recipients to the JRCERT no later than **June 21, 2024**.

Additionally, the program must publish a copy of this award letter on its website.

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The program is advised that consistent with JRCERT Policy 11.600, the JRCERT reserves the right to conduct unannounced site visits of accredited programs. The sponsoring institution would be responsible for the expenses of any onsite evaluation.

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology Directors and staff encourage you and the program faculty to continue your efforts in developing a quality educational program. If we can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely,



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