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November 17, 2014

Dr. Ronald Taylor
Superintendent/President
Merced College
3600 M Street
Merced, CA 95348

Dear President Taylor:

The Committee on Substantive Change of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges met November 6, 2014 to review the Substantive Change Proposal from Merced College for 14 associate degrees and 7 certificate programs (see attached) to be offered at 50% or more via distance education or electronic delivery.

The Committee acted to approve the request.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution's educational programs and services. It remains the College's responsibility to inform the Commission of any program change. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring integrity, effectiveness and institutional quality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Susan B. Clifford".

Susan B. Clifford, Ed.D.
Vice President

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Attachment

Cc: Ms. Mary Gilliland, Accreditation Liaison Officer
Ms. Martina Fernandez-Rosario, U.S. Department of Education

MERCED COLLEGE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE-NOVEMBER 2014
Distance Education Programs

Associate of Science and Associate of Science for Transfer

- Child Development (AS-T)
- Business Administration (AS-T)
- Management Information Systems (AS)

Associate of Arts and Associate of Arts for Transfer

- Administrative Medical Office Professional (AA)
- Administrative Office Professional (AA)
- CAD Draftsman – Mechanical (AA)
- Small Business Entrepreneurship (AA)
- Elementary Teacher Education (AA-T) (Pending at the Chancellor's Office)
- Health Sciences (AA)
- History (AA-T)
- Liberal Studies (AA)
- Marketing (AA)
- Psychology (AA)
- Psychology (AA-T)

Certificates of Achievement and Specialization

- Virtual Office Professional Certificate of Specialization
- CAD Operator Certificate of Specialization
- CAD Draftsman – Mechanical Certificate of Specialization
- Small Business Entrepreneurship Certificate of Specialization
- Marketing (attached) Currently Certificate of Specialization
- Administrative Medical Office Professional Certificate of Specialization
- Administrative Office Professional Certificate of Specialization