

**NCATE**

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education

## ACCREDITATION ACTION Report

Francis Marion University  
Florence, South Carolina  
May 2013

### ACCREDITATION DECISION

Accreditation is continued at the initial teacher preparation and advanced preparation levels. The next onsite visit will take place in Fall 2019.

*Please refer to the Board of Examiners report for strengths of the unit and for additional information on findings and areas for improvement.*

### STANDARDS SUMMARY

Standards	Initial Teacher Preparation (ITP)	Advanced Preparation (ADV)
★ 1 Candidate Knowledge, Skills, and Professional Dispositions	Met	Met
★ 2 Assessment System and Unit Evaluation	Met	Met
★ 3 Field Experiences and Clinical Practice	Met	Met
★ 4 Diversity	Met	Met
★ 5 Faculty Qualifications, Performance, and Development	Met	Met
★ 6 Unit Governance and Resources	Met	Met

### AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

The following areas for improvement (AFIs) should be addressed before the unit's next onsite visit. Progress made toward eliminating them should be reported in Part C of the unit's annual report to NCATE. The Board of Examiners (BOE) team will indicate in its report at the next visit whether the institution has adequately addressed each of the AFIs.

None.

*NOTE: Neither NCATE staff, team members, nor other agents of NCATE are empowered to make or modify Unit Accreditation Board decisions. These remain the sole responsibility of the Unit Accreditation Board itself. This Accreditation Action Report is available to members of the public upon receipt of a request in writing.*



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Superintendent

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Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Dr. K. Wayne Pruitt  
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Dear Dr. Pruitt:

As you prepare for your NCATE reaffirmation of accreditation in October of 2012, I have reviewed the state reports that you have provided to our office over the past three years. I find that the unit at Francis Marion University is compliant with the state standard that asks for a copy of your annual unit reports. These reports include the AACTE Forms A&B, NCATE Part C, and Title II, as well as annual updates on your assessment and diversity plans.

Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to work collegially with your institution as you continue to develop the effectiveness of your programs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Stowe".

Don Stowe  
Education Associate