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## Council for Standards in Human Service Education

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October 11, 2019

Dr. John Rosicky, Professor and Department Chair Stevenson University 11200 Ted Herget Way Owings Mills, MD 21117

Dear Dr. Rosicky,

It is my privilege to inform you that the Counseling and Human Services baccalaureate program at Stevenson University has been reaccredited by the Council for Standards in Human Service Education (CSHSE) for the period of October 2019 through October 2024. The next accreditation cycle will require a site visit.

## PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The readers of your self-study have identified the following strengths of your program including:

- An engaged advisory board
- Excellent examples of assessments and collected data to verify student learning
- Conducts continuous evaluation, both qualitative and quantitative
- Supported by a multidisciplinary faculty
- Promotes cultural diversity training with a dedicated required course for students and a variety of trainings and resources for faculty.
- Offers a wide variety of hands-on training through the Field Placement and Practicum process
- Educates a diverse student body
- Strong emphasis on writing skills

## The program reaccreditation is approved with no conditions.

The readers reported that the self-study was well organized and easy to read. There was comprehensive supporting evidence submitted for every standard. The Matrix of courses was well organized and congruent with the narrative. The questions were answered clearly and concisely. Navigation between embedded links in the narrative and the supporting documents worked well and enhanced the reading process.

As an accredited program, the Program must regularly review information on the CSHSE website, <u>https://cshse.org</u>, for any new changes in policies and standards. Your program must use the standards that are in effect at the time when the application is submitted for the next cycle.

During this accreditation cycle, your accredited program has the responsibility to maintain active CSHSE membership each year of the accreditation cycle for the accreditation status to remain in good standing. (Membership Handbook, Accreditation and Self-Study Guidelines, July 2019, p. 7-8). Additionally, the accredited program shall ensure that the program representative contact information

remains current with CSHSE and ASCENT Management, LLC and is updated as needed.

Please refer to the Board actions for maintaining accreditation in Appendix I of the July 2019 Member Handbook, pp. 97-98. Your Program must ensure that program and student achievement indicators on the CSHSE website remain accurate (within 2 years of the current academic year) and the hyperlinks remain active. The CSHSE will review this information at each board meeting, February, June, and October. Contact the CSHSE VPA or ASCENT Management, LLC if a hyperlink must be revised so that our website is current with your program information.

As stated above, your next reaccreditation will be October 2024. Please review information on our website, <u>https://cshse.org</u>, for any new policies and standards. A copy of this letter needs to accompany your next self-study.

Congratulations on continuing as one of our exceptional accredited programs! A formal certificate, signed by our President Elaine Green, will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,

Winona Schappell Winona Schappell, M.Ed., HS-BCP, Vice President of Accreditation

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