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Kathryn Bedette, AIA
Associate Dean and Professor of Architecture
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Sent via email to kbedette@kennesaw.edu

Dear Professor Bedette:

At its October 18-19, 2024, meeting, the Board of Directors of the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) reviewed the Plan to Correct submitted by the Bachelor of Architecture degree (150 credit hours) at Kennesaw State University and voted to defer action and require a Plan to Correct to address all remaining areas of non-compliance.

The Board noted that the program submitted sufficient evidence to demonstrate compliance with the following Conditions for Accreditation previously noted as “not met”:

- 5.4 Human Resources and Human Resource Development
- 6.5 Admissions and Advising

The Board noted that the program did not submit sufficient evidence to demonstrate compliance with the following Condition:

- SC.6 Building Integration

The Board’s review is included below:

SC.6 Building Integration—How the program ensures that students develop the ability to make design decisions within architectural projects while demonstrating integration of building envelope systems and assemblies, structural systems, environmental control systems, life safety systems, and the measurable outcomes of building performance.

Not Met. *The program did not provide sufficient information to meet the requirements of this Condition. The program needs to provide evidence of a completed assessment cycle for the condition including examples of student work.*

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5.4 Human Resources and Human Resource Development

The program must demonstrate that it has appropriate and adequately funded human resources to support student learning and achievement. Human resources include full- and part-time instructional faculty, administrative leadership, and technical, administrative, and other support staff. The program must:

- 5.4.1 Demonstrate that it balances the workloads of all faculty in a way that promotes student and faculty achievement.
- 5.4.2 Demonstrate that it has an Architect Licensing Advisor who is actively performing the duties defined in the NCARB position description. These duties include attending the biannual NCARB Licensing Advisor Summit and/or other training opportunities to stay up-to-date on the requirements for licensure and ensure that students have resources to make informed decisions on their path to licensure.
- 5.4.3 Demonstrate that faculty and staff have opportunities to pursue professional development that contributes to program improvement.
- 5.4.4 Describe the support services available to students in the program, including but not limited to academic and personal advising, mental well-being, career guidance, internship, and job placement.

Met. *The program provided sufficient information to meet the requirements of this Condition. The program provided evidence that demonstrated that it has appropriate and adequately funded human resources to support student learning and achievement.*

6.5 Admissions and Advising

The program must publicly document all policies and procedures that govern the evaluation of applicants for admission to the accredited program. These procedures must include first-time, first-year students as well as transfers from within and outside the institution. This documentation must include the following:

- a) Application forms and instructions
- b) Admissions requirements: admissions-decisions procedures, including policies and processes for evaluation of transcripts and portfolios (when required); and decisions regarding remediation and advanced standing
- c) Forms and a description of the process for evaluating the content of a non-accredited degrees
- d) Requirements and forms for applying for financial aid and scholarships
- e) Explanation of how student diversity goals affect admission procedures

Met. *The program provided sufficient information to meet the requirements of this Condition. The program provided evidence that it publicly documents all policies and procedures required by this Condition.*

The program is required to submit a Plan to Correct demonstrating compliance with the Conditions noted as “not met,” by **June 30, 2025**.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions at accreditation@naab.org.

Sincerely,



Stephen Schreiber, FAIA, NCARB, DPACSA
President