Dear President Naganathan:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on June 19-21, 2019, concerning the Spring 2019 Mid-Cycle Evaluation and the Spring 2019 Ad Hoc Evaluation of Oregon Institute of Technology. This action was taken after consideration of evidence, including the institution’s Mid-Cycle Self-Evaluation Report, the Mid-Cycle Peer-Evaluation Report, and the Ad Hoc Report.

Accreditation Action

- Accept the Mid-Cycle Report
- Accept the Ad Hoc Report

Status of Previous Recommendations Addressed in this Evaluation

- Recommendation 3: Spring 2016 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability - Continued as Needs Improvement
- Recommendation 4: Spring 2016 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability - Continued as Needs Improvement
- Recommendation 5: Spring 2016 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability - Continued as Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2019 Ad Hoc Report; Non-Compliant

Recommendations Out of Compliance

The Commission finds that the following Recommendations are areas where Oregon Institute of Technology is out of compliance with the NWCCU Standards for Accreditation. According to U.S. Department of Education Regulation 34 CFR 602.20 and Commission Policy, Commission Action Regarding Institutional Compliance Within Specified Period (enclosed), the Commission requires that Oregon Institute of Technology take appropriate action to ensure these Recommendations are addressed and resolved in the prescribed two-year period.

The Commission recommends that Oregon Institute of Technology:

1. Continue to review its assessment processes, particularly those newly planned and implemented, to ensure they yield both timely and meaningful results that lead to improvement (Standard 4.A.6).
Required Follow-Up

- Ad Hoc Report without a visit Fall 2020
  - Address Recommendation 1: Spring 2019 Ad Hoc Report
- Addendum to Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability Spring 2023
  - Address Recommendation 3: Spring 2016 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability
  - Address Recommendation 4: Spring 2016 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability

Future Evaluations

- Ad Hoc Report Fall 2020
  - Recommendation 1: Spring 2019 Ad Hoc Report without a visit
- Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability Evaluation Spring 2023
  - Again address Recommendation 3 and 4 of the Spring 2016 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability

NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact your staff liaison, Vice President Valerie Martinez.

Sincerely,

Sonny Ramaswamy
President

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    Lindsay Couzens, Mid-Cycle Evaluation Committee Chair