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November 16, 2018

David Johns, PhD

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Dear President Johns:

At its October 2018 meeting, the Commission on Accreditation (COA) reviewed the *Self-Study*, the COA *Letter of Instructions*, the *Site Visit Report*, and the program's response to the report as the *Reaffirmation* application for the baccalaureate social work program. The COA voted to reaffirm the accreditation of the program for 8 years, ending in June 2025, due to a one-year postponement and one-meeting deferral received this cycle.

Congratulations in this achievement.

Please be in touch with Amanda Morgan-Henry, Accreditation Specialist in the Department of Social Work Accreditation, if there are any questions about this letter or the procedures and actions of the Commission on Accreditation.

Sincerely,

Andrew W. Safyer, PhD, MSW
Chair, Commission on Accreditation

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Cc: Jennie West, MSW
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December 12, 2014

President Jennifer L. Braaten
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Dear President Braaten:

The *Regulations Governing the Review and Approval of Education Programs in Virginia* (8VAC20-542-10 et seq.), effective September 21, 2007, and amended January 19, 2011, set forth the options for the accreditation of professional education programs at Virginia institutions of higher education. Ferrum College requested accreditation through the Board of Education approved process.

On November 20, 2014, the Virginia Board of Education approved the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure's recommendation that the teacher education program at Ferrum College be "accredited," indicating that the program has met the standards as set forth in 8VAC20-542-60 of the *Regulations Governing the Review and Approval of Education Programs in Virginia*.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the teacher preparation program. Please convey my appreciation to the faculty, staff, and students in the Education Department for their commitment to ensuring a high quality professional education program. If you have questions regarding the Board's decision, please contact Mrs. Patty S. Pitts, assistant superintendent, Division of Teacher Education and Licensure, at (804) 371-2522 or Patty.Pitts@doe.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. R. Staples".

Steven R. Staples

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