MEMORANDUM

TO:          Dr. Stacia Haynie
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FROM:       Jeffery L. Osgood, Jr.
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             Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration

DATE:       July 30, 2018

SUBJECT:    NASPAA Accreditation Review

On behalf of the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration and the Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation (COPRA), I am pleased to inform you that the Commission found the Master of Public Administration program at Louisiana State University to be in substantial conformity with NASPAA Standards for Professional Master’s Degree Programs in Public Affairs, Policy and Administration. The program is accredited for a period of 6 years -- September 1, 2018 - August 31, 2024 -- and will be included on NASPAA’s Annual Roster of Accredited Programs. A letter detailing the specifics of the accreditation decision has also been sent to Jared Llorens.

Please accept the Commission’s congratulations on the accreditation of this program. By pursuing and achieving accreditation through a rigorous review, the program has demonstrated a commitment to quality public service education.

NASPAA now accredits over 200 graduate programs worldwide and is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). NASPAA’s accreditation process is mission-based and driven by public service values. The NASPAA Standards are the quality benchmark used by graduate public service programs around the world. Accredited programs contribute to the knowledge, research, and practice of public service, establish observable goals and outcomes, and use information about their performance to guide program improvement. They practice truth in advertising and ensure their students achieve learning objectives in five domains essential to public service.

If you have any questions about this decision or NASPAA’s accreditation process, I would be happy to answer them via email at JOsgood@wcupa.edu.

Warmly,

Jeffery L. Osgood, Jr.
Chair, Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation