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December 20, 2013

William Kenny
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Dear Professor Kenny:

The NASM Commission on Accreditation, at its November 2013 meetings, voted to continue Bucknell University in good standing. The enclosed Commission Action Report provides the official description of this action and, if applicable, any requests for additional information. A copy of the Commission Action Report is being sent to the individuals listed below, along with a notice of the NASM policy regarding strict confidentiality.

This action is taken upon review of Bucknell University according to accreditation standards in effect in November 2013. As a member of NASM, the institution is responsible for participating in all revisions and additions to the standards as well as maintaining its curricular programs in music current with NASM standards as these are developed.

Please accept our congratulations on behalf of the Association.

With best wishes for the success of your program, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Samuel Hope
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: John Bravman, President
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COMMISSION ACTION REPORT

This document provides the official action of the Commission as indicated in the cover letter of the same date.

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BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY
Department of Music

Action:

The Commission voted to approve the application and continue the institution in good standing with the degree listing indicated below.

The Commission voted to accept the progress report regarding credit and time requirements and certain health and safety standards.

NASM Degree Listing:

Bachelor of Arts in Music.
Bachelor of Music in Music Education.
Bachelor of Music in Performance (Voice).

Next Full Review:

2022-2023 Academic Year

Note:

The Commission notes that, pending approval by the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, the institution has discontinued offering the degrees Bachelor of Music in Performance (Instrumental) and Bachelor of Music in Composition. These programs will be removed from the institution's NASM listing. If the institution wishes to offer these or any new degrees in the future, applications for Plan Approval must be submitted.

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Commendation:

The Commission commends the institution for its thorough Optional Response.



Samuel Hope
Executive Director
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RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

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