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### **2009-2010 Educator Preparation Accreditation Report Showcases California's Data-Based System**

SACRAMENTO – [The Commission on Teacher Credentialing](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/default.html)<sup>1</sup> acknowledged the decisions of its accrediting committee granting accreditation to nine institutions and accreditation with stipulations for eight institutions, at its December 10, 2010 meeting.

The accreditation decisions, outlined in the [Committee on Accreditation's Annual Accreditation Report for 2009-2010](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-12/2010-12-6D.pdf)<sup>2</sup>, are based on site visits by team members from the Commission's Board of Institutional Reviewers. The report also includes other accomplishments of the Commission's [Committee on Accreditation](http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa.html)<sup>3</sup> (COA) such as information about biennial reports submitted by program sponsors that provide data and program improvement actions related to candidate competence and performance assessments. Included in the biennial reports are data from California's groundbreaking Teaching Performance Assessment, an assessment that all elementary and secondary general education teachers must now pass prior to earning a credential.

This report is the second annual report since the implementation of the Commission's revised accreditation system. The revised educator preparation accreditation system is designed to focus on the demonstrated competence of California's educators. The system features ongoing data collection and a seven-year cycle of activities, including at least one site visit. The COA can determine at any point if program intervention or assistance is needed.

In 2009-2010, the COA received reports and made accreditation decisions for thirteen educator preparation program sponsors in addition to revised decisions on four program re-visits. Based on the report and recommendations of the site visit teams, the COA determines the accreditation status to be any of the following:

- Accreditation
- Accreditation with Stipulations
  - (Technical) Stipulations
  - Major Stipulations
  - Probationary Stipulations
- Denial of Accreditation

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/default.html>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-12/2010-12-6D.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa.html>

Accreditation stipulations must be corrected within one year. Major or Probationary Stipulations also require a re-visit after one year. Re-visits for lesser stipulations occur at the discretion of the COA. On occasion, if a program sponsor is not able to address all stipulations within one year but shows significant progress, the COA may consider an extension of time.

The 2009-2010 decisions are provided in the chart below.

<b>COA Accreditation Decisions 2009-2010 Visits</b>	
<b>Program Sponsor</b>	<b>Accreditation Decision</b>
San Diego State University	Accreditation
CSU Northridge	Accreditation
National Hispanic University	Accreditation with Major Stipulations
Santa Clara University	Accreditation with Major Stipulations
Loyola Marymount University	Accreditation
Whittier College	Accreditation with Stipulations
Fresno Pacific University	Accreditation with Stipulations
Biola University	Accreditation
San Diego Christian College	Accreditation with Major Stipulations
CSU Stanislaus	Accreditation with Stipulations
Touro University	Accreditation
William Jessup University	Accreditation with Major Stipulations
Stanislaus County Office of Education	Accreditation

In addition, the COA heard reports from re-visits of 2008-09 visits and made the following decisions:

<b>2008-2009 Accreditation Re-visits</b>		
<b>Program Sponsor</b>	<b>2008-09 Decision</b>	<b>2009-10 Re-visit Decision</b>
San Francisco State University	Accreditation with Probationary Stipulations	Accreditation
Alliant University	Accreditation with Probationary Stipulations	Accreditation with Probationary Stipulations
Phillips Graduate Institute	Accreditation with Technical Stipulations	Accreditation
Notre Dame de Namur University	Accreditation with Substantive Stipulations	Accreditation

Year 2010-2011 initiates the inclusion of beginning teacher induction programs in the accreditation system. As a result, the COA will oversee thirty-six site visits conducted by team members from the Board of Institutional Reviewers. In addition, there will be six re-visits. The 2010-2011 report will be submitted to the Commission in December, 2011.

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