Discussion of the 7th Year Report Submitted by William Jessup University February 2020

Overview

This report provides information on the 7th Year report for William Jessup University (WJU). The report is included in a hyperlink at the bottom of this agenda item.

Recommendation

This is an action item. However, because there were no stipulations given to William Jessup University, no action is required other than to accept the report from WJU.

Background

WJU hosted an accreditation visit on February 10-12, 2019. The COA granted a status of **Accreditation** to the institution. The full team report may be found here: <u>WJU 2019 Site Visit</u> <u>Report</u>.

The COA also required a 7th year report addressing all standards that were found by the team to be less than fully met. These were Preliminary Multiple Subject and Single Subject Program Standards 2: Preparing Candidates toward Mastery of the Teaching Performance Expectations (TPEs), Program Standard 3: Clinical Practice, and Common Standard 5: Program Impact which were found to be met with concerns. All other Common Standards and program standards were found to be met by the team.

The rationales for the met with concerns on Preliminary Multiple Subject and Single Subject Program Standards 2 and 3, and Common Standard 5 are as follows as indicated in the team report:

Standards Met with Concerns	Rationale from 2019 Report
Program Standard 2: Preparing Candidates	The program's organized coursework and
toward Mastery of the Teaching Performance	clinical practice loosely articulates
Expectations (TPEs)	opportunities for candidates to learn, apply
	and reflect on each Teaching Performance
	Expectation. There is inconsistent evidence in
	regards to how candidates apply the TPEs, as
	noted within course syllabi. "Demonstration
	Assignments" were referenced within
	interviews, however there was a lack of
	evidence in regards to the assignments
	within syllabi. The review team did not see
	full descriptions of demonstration
	assignments, evidence of completed
	assignments or associated rubrics
	demonstrating how candidates are scored on
	these assignments.
Program Standard 3: Clinical Practice	There is evidence that district employed
	supervisors (master teachers) are generally
	aware of the 10 required hours of initial
	orientation and professional development, as
	noted within interviews. However, there is
	insufficient evidence that master teachers
	are receiving the 10 required hours to ensure
	master teachers are effective with
	supervision approaches including cognitive
	coaching, adult learning theory and content
	specific pedagogy. Those training hours that are occurring appear to be completed
	primarily to satisfy the required hours, rather
	than focused on specific skills necessary for
	supervision.
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Common Standard 5: Program Impact	While there was evidence that candidates are
	assessed on the TPEs during field experience,
	there was inconsistent evidence that
	program assessments within coursework
	ensure candidates demonstrate the
	knowledge specified in the Commission
	adopted TPEs. Documents reviewed along
	with faculty and administration interviews
	provide minimal and inconsistent evidence
	for a systematic implementation plan or
	regular program reflections on student
	knowledge-based outcome data. Faculty and
	administration referenced the scholarly
	practitioner research-based vision as the
	guiding principle for demonstration
	assignments.

William Jessup University 7th Year Report

The institution provided initiated a comprehensive review of these three standards and provided a detailed report describing the steps they have taken over the past year to address these issues. The report is available on the following link:

Hyperlink to WJU 7th Year Report