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February 17, 2009

Dr. Philip W. Eaton  
President  
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Dear President <sup>Phil</sup> Eaton:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Seattle Pacific University has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Fall 2008 Focused Interim Evaluation regarding Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the Spring 2007 Comprehensive Evaluation Report. This matter was the subject of Commission correspondence dated July 26, 2007. Congratulations on receiving this continued recognition.

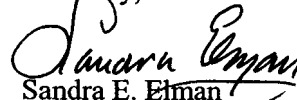
In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission determined that Recommendations 2, 3, 4, and 6 of the Spring 2007 Comprehensive Evaluation Report are areas where Seattle Pacific University now meets the Commission's criteria for accreditation. The Commission has also determined that Recommendation 1 of the Fall 2008 Focused Interim Evaluation Report is an area where the University substantially meets the Commission's criteria for accreditation, but needs improvement. A copy of the Recommendations is enclosed for your reference.

In taking this action, the Commission requests that Seattle Pacific University ensure that Recommendation 1 of the Fall 2008 Focused Interim Evaluation Report is addressed in the Spring 2012 Regular Interim Report and visit.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a rewarding year.

Sincerely,

  
Sandra E. Elman  
President

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Enclosure: Recommendation

cc: Dr. Cynthia J. Price, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

**Focused Interim Evaluation Report**  
**Fall 2008**  
**Seattle Pacific University**  
**Recommendation**

1. The evaluator recommends that policies and procedures be developed to ensure that the criteria and policies for judging performance and assigning credit in study abroad programs is in accordance with prevailing standards and practices at the home institution and that where several institutions are involved with a single overseas institution or in a consortium, a common basis for determining grade equivalents exists (Policy 2.4).