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February 26, 2021

Dr. Donde Ashmos Plowman
Chancellor
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
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Dear Dr. Plowman:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure

Dietetic Internship

Submission date:

6/20/2020

Intended Implementation date:

6/1/2021

Case ID:

SC011017

The University of Tennessee Knoxville has decided to close the Dietetic Internship program due to a re-organization. The program will be restructured as a Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics concentration within the existing Master of Science (M.S.) degree program in Nutrition. Nine of the currently enrolled students completed the program in summer 2020. Required courses will continue to be offered, allowing the remaining eleven students to complete the program by summer 2021 without interruption or additional expense. No faculty or staff will be negatively affected by the closure; the Director will transition to the revised program.

The SACSCOC substantive change policy was revised in 2020. It includes many new requirements and changes to previous requirements. The *Substantive Change Policy and Procedures* and learning resources are available on the substantive change webpage at www.sacscoc.org.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Dietetic Internship program.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Denise Y. Young at 404-679-4501 or via email at dyoung@sacscoc.org.



Dr. Donde Ashmos Plowman

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Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.

President

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cc: Dr. Heather G Hartman, Assistant Vice Provost & SACSCOC Liaison

Dr. Denise Y. Young