



February 27, 2023

Taylor Randall  
President  
University of Utah  
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Salt Lake City, UT 84112

Dear President Randall:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on January 25-27, 2023, concerning the Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness of University of Utah. This action was taken after consideration of evidence, including the institution's Self-Evaluation Report, the Peer-Evaluation Report, the optional Institutional Response to the Peer-Evaluation Report, and information received as part of the institutional representative meeting with Commissioners.

### **Accreditation**

Reaffirm Accreditation

### **Commendations**

The Commission commends University of Utah for:

1. Dedicating resources and processes which have facilitated the wide use of data across the institution.
2. Their use of data for decision-making and literacy.
3. Creating a culture that encourages transparency and collaboration across the institution.

### **Recommendations Substantially in Compliance but in Need of Improvement**

The Commission recommends that University of Utah:

- Recommendation 1: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness - Accelerate the implementation of the General Education Learning Outcomes (GELO) assessment. (2020 Standard(s) 1.C.6)

### **Future Evaluations**

- Mid-Cycle Review Fall 2025
  - Recommendation 1: Fall 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness
- Year 6 - Standard 2 - Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review Fall 2028
- Year 7 - Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness Fall 2029

NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact your staff liaison, Dr. Gita Bangera, at [gbangera@nwccu.org](mailto:gbangera@nwccu.org).

Sincerely,

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President

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