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## September 07, 2016

David W. Pershing President University of Utah 201 President's Circle Salt Lake City, UT 84112

Dear Dr. Pershing :

I am pleased to transmit to you the findings of the Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET with respect to the evaluation conducted for University of Utah during 2015-2016. Each of ABET's Commissions is fully authorized to take the actions described in the accompanying letter under the policies of the ABET Board of Directors.

We are pleased that your institution has elected to participate in this accreditation process. This process, which is conducted by approximately 2,000 ABET volunteers from the professional community, is designed to advance and assure the quality of professional education. We look forward to our continuing shared efforts toward this common goal.

Sincerely,

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Lawrence Jones President

Enclosure: Commission letter and attachments



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Richard B. Brown Dean, College of Engineering University of Utah 72 Central Campus Drive, 1650 WEB Salt Lake City, UT 84112

Dear Dr. Brown :

The Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET recently held its 2016 Summer Meeting to act on the program evaluations conducted during 2015-2016. Each evaluation was summarized in a report to the Commission and was considered by the full Commission before a vote was taken on the accreditation action. The results of the evaluation for University of Utah are included in the enclosed Summary of Accreditation Actions. The Final Statement to your institution that discusses the findings on which each action was based is also enclosed.

The policy of ABET is to grant accreditation for a limited number of years, not to exceed six, in all cases. The period of accreditation is not an indication of program quality. Any restriction of the period of accreditation is based upon conditions indicating that compliance with the applicable accreditation criteria must be strengthened. Continuation of accreditation beyond the time specified requires a reevaluation of the program at the request of the institution as noted in the accreditation action. ABET policy prohibits public disclosure of the period for which a program is accredited. For further guidance concerning the public release of accreditation information, please refer to Section II.A. of the 2015-2016 Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

A list of accredited programs is published annually by ABET. Information about ABET accredited programs at your institution will be listed in the forthcoming ABET Accreditation Yearbook and on the ABET web site (www.abet.org).

It is the obligation of the officer responsible for ABET accredited programs at your institution to notify ABET of any significant changes in program title, personnel, curriculum, or other factors which could affect the accreditation status of a program during the period of accreditation stated in Section II.H. of the 2015-2016 Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

Applied Science Accreditation Commission, Computing Accreditation Commission Engineering Accreditation Commission, Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission ABET requires that each accredited program publicly state the program's educational objectives and student outcomes as well as publicly post annual student enrollment and graduation data as stated in Section II.A.6. of the Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

ABET will examine all newly accredited programs' websites within the next two weeks to ensure compliance.

Please note that appeals are allowed only in the case of Not to Accredit actions. Also, such appeals may be based only on the conditions stated in Section II.L. of the 2015-2016 Accreditation Policy and Procedure Manual (available at www.abet.org).

Sincerely,

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Sarah A. Rajala, Chair Engineering Accreditation Commission

Enclosure: Summary of Accreditation Action Final Statement

cc: David W. Pershing, President

Valana Lorraine Wells, Visit Team Chair



## Engineering Accreditation Commission

Summary of Accreditation Actions for the 2015-2016 Accreditation Cycle

> University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT

Biomedical Engineering (BS)

 $Chemical \ Engineering \ (BS)$ 

Computer Engineering (BS)

Electrical Engineering (BS)

Geological Engineering (BS)

Mechanical Engineering (BS)

Metallurgical Engineering (BS)

Accredit to September 30, 2022. A request to ABET by January 31, 2021 will be required to initiate a reaccreditation evaluation visit. In preparation for the visit, a Self-Study Report must be submitted to ABET by July 01, 2021. The reaccreditation evaluation will be a comprehensive general review.