

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Gloria J. Billingsley, Chair
Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation
Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration

DATE: July 12, 2024

SUBJECT: NASPAA Accreditation Review

On behalf of the Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation (COPRA), I am pleased to inform you that the Commission found your Master of Public Administration program to be in substantial conformity with NASPAA Standards. Your program is accredited for a period of 7 years – September 1, 2024-August 31, 2031 – and will be included on the Annual Roster of Accredited Programs.

Please accept the Commission's congratulations on the accreditation of your program. By pursuing and achieving accreditation through a rigorous peer review, your program has demonstrated a substantial commitment to quality public service education. You are part of the global community of over 200 accredited graduate programs in public service. The Commission wishes to commend the program faculty and Department Chair for their strong commitment to the mission of the program; to serving students, and for fully embracing the accreditation process.

Please note that as a requirement of accreditation, the Commission will review annual accreditation maintenance reports in order to determine ongoing conformity with NASPAA Standards, which will become a permanent part of the program's accreditation record to be used during your next accreditation review. We look forward to receiving your 2023-2024 annual accreditation maintenance report by **November 1, 2024**.

If you have any questions about this decision or NASPAA's accreditation process, I would be happy to answer any questions you have via email at gloria.j.billingsley@jsums.edu. Questions about this year's annual report should be directed to copra@naspaa.org.

Warmly,



Gloria J. Billingsley, Chair
Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation