

January 17, 2017

Via Email with delivery/read receipt

Dr. Ross Sherman  
University of Texas – Tyler

Dear Dr. Sherman:

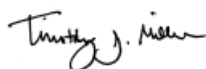
This is official notification that your program has been recommended by TEA staff to be assigned the following status under the Accountability System for Educator Preparation at the March 3, 2017 State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) meeting:

**ACCREDITED**

This recommended accreditation status is based on 2015-2016 academic year data and the rules that were in effect during the 2015-2016 academic year. If the recommendation is approved by the SBEC, the status will be effective from the date it is approved until the next annual accreditation ratings are approved by the SBEC based on 2016-2017 academic year data. After the SBEC takes action on this recommendation, accreditation statuses for all educator preparation programs (EPPs) will be posted on the EPP Consumer Information web page at [http://tea.texas.gov/Texas\\_Educators/Preparation\\_and\\_Continuing\\_Education/Consumer\\_Information\\_about\\_Educator\\_Preparation\\_Programs.aspx](http://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Preparation_and_Continuing_Education/Consumer_Information_about_Educator_Preparation_Programs.aspx).

Please share this information with appropriate members of your staff. If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact Dr. Mike Vriesenga at [michael.vriesenga@tea.texas.gov](mailto:michael.vriesenga@tea.texas.gov) or 512-463-8911.

Sincerely,



Tim Miller, Ed.D.  
Director of Educator Preparation and Program Accountability