



# Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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Dr. Hunter R. Rawlings, III  
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Cornell University  
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Ithaca, NY 14853

Office of the President

Dear Dr. Rawlings:

At its session on November 17, 2016, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To accept the Periodic Review Report, to reaffirm accreditation, and to commend the institution for the quality of the Periodic Review process. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2020-2021.

This action is an affirming action, as explained in the policy *Accreditation Actions*, which is available on the Commission's website.

Enclosed is a copy of the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) for your review. If any of the factual information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

In accordance with the policy *Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status*, the accreditation status of the institution must be accurately represented. Please ensure that published references to your institution's candidate status or accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) are accurate and include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency, and the effective date (month and year) when status was granted. Candidate for Accreditation is a status with the Commission that indicates that an institution has achieved membership and is progressing toward, but is not assured of, accreditation.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Cornell University. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Debra G. Klinman, Vice President.

Sincerely,

George A. Pruitt, Ph.D.  
Chair