



August 1, 2025

Dr. Michael Amiridis
President
University of South Carolina - Columbia
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Columbia, SC 29208

Dear Dr. Amiridis:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure
Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Counselor Education (Career Development Facilitator)

Submission date:

5/12/2025

Intended Implementation date:

5/30/2025

Case ID:

SC031541

SACSCOC requested additional information via email on June 23, 2025. The institution's response on July 11, 2025, was added to the record and is reflected in the narrative below.

At the time the decision was made to close the program in January 2025, no students were enrolled in the program.

The institutional community, including faculty, staff, and students, was informed of the closure of the program via email, direct mail, face-to-face meetings, advisors, website, and staff and faculty meetings. The one student with lapsed enrollment in the program was notified via email. Any prospective students will be informed via notification of the closure and subsequent removal of the program on the program website. In addition, the program will be deleted from the Graduate Catalog and all relevant webpages. Faculty and staff were notified of the closing via participation in the decision to close the program.

No students will incur additional costs as a result of the change.

No faculty or staff will be affected by the program closure.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Counselor Education (Career Development Facilitator).



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Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Kelli V. Randall at 404-994-6545 or via email at krandall@sacscoc.org.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen L. Pruitt".

Stephen L. Pruitt, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Mr. Donald Miles, Executive Director Institutional Research, Assessment, and Analytics,
University of South Carolina - Columbia
Dr. Kelli V. Randall, Vice President, SACSCOC