

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS COMMISSION ON COLLEGES

July 9, 2014

Dr. Dana L. Gibson President Sam Houston State University Box 2026 Huntsville, TX 77341-2026

Dear Dr. Gibson:

Thank you for your letter of June 17, 2014, notifying the Commission of the dual baccalaureate degree program with Sam Houston State University (SHSU) and Zhejiang Police College (ZPC), effective fall 2011.

Students in criminal justice majors at SHSU and students in foreign-related policing majors at ZPC are eligible to participate. Students earn two years of credit at their home institution and two years of credit at their host institution. Credits are transferred between the two institutions and, when all requirements have been met, both SHSU and ZPC award separate baccalaureate degrees. SHSU students must earn a minimum of 32 semester credit hours (of the 120-hour degree program) at SHSU.

A copy of the signed agreement between the two institutions was submitted in which roles, responsibilities, and policies are enumerated including credit hour requirements, program coordination, institutional responsibilities, student responsibilities, enrollment capacity, admission requirements, tuition and other financial terms and responsibilities, housing, program review, and termination provisions.

The locations and primary responsible party for each institution are:

For SHSU -

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The SACSCOC policy, "Agreements Involving Joint and Dual Academic Awards: Policies and Procedures," outlines the responsibilities of member institutions engaged in programs such as your dual degree program with ZPC. Responsibilities include disclaimer statements about non-SACSCOC partner institutions, assurance of quality of credits recorded on transcripts, and compliance assurance with SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation requirements and standards. A copy of the policy is available on the SACSCOC website.

Please submit documentation of compliance with the policy requirements for dual academic awards pertinent to the SHSU – ZPC dual degree program.

We defer action pending review of the above requested information.

Best regards, Belle S. Wheelo

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.

President

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cc: Ms. Somer Franklin, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs

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April 21, 2015

Dr. Dana Gibson Hoyt President Sam Houston State University Box 2026, SHSU Huntsville, TX 77341-2026

Dear Dr. Hoyt:

Thank you for your letter of March 6, 2015, providing information which we requested in our letter to you dated July 9, 2014, concerning a dual baccalaureate degree program between the University and Zhejiang Police College.

The additional information addressed relevant standards in the *Principles of Accreditation* relating to dual degrees such as those pertaining to faculty, learning resources, transfer policies, determining course equivalencies, admissions requirements, and assessment activities. The additional information satisfactorily addressed the standards.

We accept notification of the dual degree program with Zhejiang Police College.

Best regards, Belle J. Wheelan

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.

President

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cc: Dr. Somer Franklin, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. Steven M. Sheeley