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Alfred Simon, PhD, ASLA
Program Director
Landscape Architecture Program
School of Architecture and Planning
University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Dr. Simon:

The Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) at its July 22-23, 2016 meeting granted accreditation for a period of six (6) years to the course of study leading to the first professional MLA degree at University of New Mexico. This status is subject to review of annual reports and maintenance of good standing.

Accreditation is awarded on a time-certain basis. The six-year period of accreditation ends June 30, 2021. Accordingly, the MLA program is next scheduled for a review during the spring of 2021.

In making its decision, LAAB considered the program's self-evaluation report, the visiting team report, the institution's response to the team report, and discussions with team members and program faculty.

Enclosed is a list of recommendations affecting accreditation (to be responded to in annual reports). This list was developed by LAAB from the materials reviewed during the meeting.

On behalf of the visiting team, I would like to thank you for the hospitality extended to them by the faculty, staff, and students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary Kesler', is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Gary Kesler, FASLA
LAAB Chair

Enclosure

cc: Robert G. Frank, President

**University of New Mexico
MLA Program
LAAB Meeting
July 22-23, 2016**

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations Affecting Accreditation

1. The Landscape Architecture program should engage in long-range planning to re-establish clear program direction, goals and objectives. A fully articulated strategic plan should follow, complete with metrics and assessment techniques for progress toward the outcomes (Standard 1).