August 11, 2023

Robert L. Ryan, FASLA
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Dear Professor Ryan:

The Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) at its July 10, 2023, meeting granted accreditation for a period of six (6) years to the course of study leading to the professional MLA degree at University of Massachusetts Amherst. 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, 2029. Accordingly, the MLA program at University of Massachusetts Amherst is next scheduled for a review during the spring of 2029.

In making its decision, LAAB considered the program's self-evaluation report, the visiting team’s report, and the program’s response to the report.

There are no recommendations affecting accreditation.

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,

Juanita Shearer-Swink, FASLA
LAAB Chair

cc: Javier A Reyes, Ph.D., Chancellor
SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations Affecting Accreditation

There are no recommendations affecting accreditation.