June 15, 2021

Juliette Hing Lee, Dean
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16715 Von Karman Ave Suite 101
Irvine, CA 92606

Dear Ms. Lee,

The CEA Policies and Procedures (available at www.cea-accredit.org) require CEA to prepare a brief statement summarizing the reasons for the agency’s withdrawal of accreditation as a result of adverse action. The statement is forwarded to the site for responsive comment. The statement along with the site’s comment, if any, is then forwarded to the U.S. Department of Education, the appropriate office at the Department of Homeland Security, licensing bodies, and the public. If no response is made, CEA must provide evidence to the U.S. Department of Education that the site has been offered the opportunity to comment.

Following is the summary of the basis of the withdrawal action.

Hancock International College (CEA ID 356), located at 16715 Von Karman Ave Suite 101, Irvine, CA 92606 was issued a withdrawal of accreditation by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA) at its April 2021 meeting. The Commission decision letter was sent electronically and mailed by registered mail. CEA has not received a response to the April 26, 2021 letter within 30 days as indicated, and an appeal has not been filed within this timeframe.

Following are the standards for which the site was found to be out of compliance and upon which the withdrawal action was taken. The CEA Standards for English Language Programs and Institutions are available online at www.cea-accredit.org.

Faculty Standard 1
Administrative and Fiscal Capacity Standard 4
Administrative and Fiscal Capacity Standard 5
Student Services Standard 4
Student Achievement Standard 3
Program Development, Planning, and Review Standard 1
Program Development, Planning, and Review Standard 2
Please provide your responsive comment, if any, within 15 days, by July 7, 2021. If you choose not to respond, this letter will be forwarded to the U.S. Department of Education as evidence that you were given the opportunity to respond.

Sincerely,

Heidi Vellenga, PhD
Executive Director

CC: Connie Lee, Chair
    Dorothy Deng, Esq., Jefferson Glassie, Esq., Whiteford Taylor Preston


16.8. Additional notifications following final decisions to deny, withdraw, suspend, or terminate accreditation

Following a final decision to deny, withdraw, suspend, or terminate accreditation, CEA prepares a statement summarizing the reasons for the agency’s final determination. This statement is sent to the site, which may make comments that respond to the reasons for the denial, withdrawal, suspension, or termination. The site’s responsive comments conclude the exchange and will not constitute a basis for reconsideration of the decision.

CEA’s statement and the site’s responsive comments will be forwarded to the Secretary of the Department of Education, the appropriate office at the Department of Homeland Security, licensing agencies, and to the public through posting on the CEA website. If no response is made, evidence that the affected program or institution has been offered the opportunity to comment will be forwarded in lieu of a response. CEA reserves the right to redact inflammatory language from the responsive comments before public posting.