



## **PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE REAFFIRMATION COMMITTEE**

### **Statement Regarding the Report**

*The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) is responsible for making the final determination on reaffirmation of accreditation based on the findings contained in this committee report, the institution's response to issues contained in the report, other assessments relevant to the review, and application of the Commission's policies and procedures. Final interpretation of the Principles of Accreditation and final action on the accreditation status of the institution rest with SACSCOC Board of Trustees.*

**Name of the Institution:**            **University of South Carolina - Aiken**

**Date of the Review:**                **November 5-6, 2020**

**SACSCOC Staff Member:**        **Dr. Denise Y. Young**

**Chair of the Committee:**           **Dr. William R. Fannin - CHAIR**  
**Professor of Management**  
**The University of Texas Permian Basin**  
**Odessa, TX**

## **Section 11: Library and Learning/Information Resources**

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- 11.1 **The institution provides adequate and appropriate library and learning/information resources, services, and support for its mission.**  
*(Library and learning/information resources) [CR]*

### **Compliance**

The library collection is appropriate and adequate to support the curriculum of the University. The collection contains 153,000 books, 407,000 electronic books, 20,500 media items, 217 databases and 125,000 serial subscriptions. All are accessible through the library's web site. Access to materials not owned by the library is available through Inter Library loan and through membership in South Carolina library consortium PASCAL. The library offers all the traditional library services of circulation, reference and instruction, and 150 desktop and laptop computers.

The primary student computing resources are located in the Business and Education Building. Access to these computers is available 24/7. There are 650 computers throughout the campus in departments and various labs across the campus.

Two regional campuses of the University of South Carolina serve as off-campus instructional sites for the institution to offer completion degree programs. Students in these programs have access to the regional campus library as well as the institution's library.