

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

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Section 11: Library and Learning/Information Resources

11.2 The institution ensures an adequate number of professional and other staff with appropriate education or experiences in library and/or other learning/information resources to accomplish the mission of the institution.

(Library and learning/information staff)

Compliance

The five faculty librarians have faculty status and are hired and reviewed by the university faculty guidelines. All have degrees from American Library Association accredited institutions and appropriate experience. There are seven support staff with adequate degrees and experience to enhance the work of the faculty librarians and cover all services for the library.

Comparison to numerous peer groups shows an adequate number of library staff for the institution.