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December 17, 2021

Buddy James  
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California State University, East Bay  
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Hayward, CA 94542

Dear Professor James:

Thank you for submitting your application for review by the NASM Commission on Accreditation. The Commission, at its November 2021 meetings, took action on the institution's application.

Please find enclosed a Commission Action Report describing this action in detail. This Report contains information of note and, if applicable, any requests for further information from the Commission. Please note the Association's policy regarding *Disclosure and Confidentiality*, a copy of which has been enclosed.

This action is taken based upon a review of California State University, East Bay according to the NASM accreditation standards in effect in November 2021.

As an accredited institutional member of NASM, the institution is reminded of its responsibility to participate in reviews and revisions to the NASM *Handbook*, and to maintain its operations and programs current with NASM standards as these are developed and approved.

The Commission on Accreditation and the Association appreciate the institution's efforts with regard to its application, and its careful consideration of and attention to NASM accreditation standards and guidelines. Further, the Commission and Association appreciate the work accomplished by the institution on behalf of music and higher education.

Please contact the NASM National Office staff if you have questions or need assistance with regard to this action or any other aspect of the work of the Association.

We offer congratulations on your achievements and best wishes for the continuing success of the institution.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Karen P. Moynahan  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

✓ cc: Cathy Sandeen, President  
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**COMMISSION ACTION REPORT**

This document provides the official action of the Commission as indicated in the cover letter of the same date.

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**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY**  
**Department of Music**

**Actions:**

**Action 1 of 2:** Application for renewal of Membership – Response

The Commission voted to accept the Response and grant renewal of Membership with the degree and program listing indicated below.

**NASM Degree and Program Listing:**

Bachelor of Arts in Music (General, Single-Subject Teaching Credential).  
Master of Arts in Music (Choral Studies, Composition, History, Jazz Studies, Performance).  
*Certificate in Music Education.*  
*Bachelor of Arts in Music (Single-Subject Teaching Credential) (Distance Learning).*

**Next Full Review:**

2029-2030 Academic Year

**Action 2 of 2:** Application for Plan Approval – Original

The Commission voted to grant Plan Approval for the following degree:

Bachelor of Arts in Music (Single-Subject Teaching Credential) (Distance Learning).

When three transcripts are available for this degree, the institution should submit an application for Final Approval for Listing. Instructions for submitting Final Approval for Listing applications may be found in the NASM documents *Policies and Procedures for Reviews of New Curricula* and *Instructions for Preparing Curricular Tables in the NASM Format*, which may be downloaded from the NASM website at <https://nasm.arts-accredit.org> (see “Accreditation,” beneath that “Accreditation Materials,” beneath that “Procedures,” and beneath that “New Curricula”).

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**Notes:**

1. The Commission notes that the institution has discontinued offering the degree, Master of Arts in Music (Composition/Theory, Music Education, Theory). NASM will update its records and the institution's degree and program information found in the NASM Directory List. Should the institution wish to reactivate the degree in the future, an application for Plan Approval will be required. Instructions for submitting Plan Approval applications may be found in the NASM documents *Policies and Procedures for Reviews of New Curricula* and *Instructions for Preparing Curricular Tables in the NASM Format*, which may be downloaded from the NASM website at <https://nasm.arts-accredit.org> (see "Accreditation," beneath that "Accreditation Materials," beneath that "Procedures," and beneath that "New Curricula").
2. The institution's degree and program information found in the NASM Directory List will include the on ground degree, Bachelor of Arts in Music (Single-Subject Teaching Credential), as well as the Bachelor of Arts in Music (Single-Subject Teaching Credential) (Distance Learning), which was granted Plan Approval as indicated in Action 2 above.

**Completion of Process:**

The acceptance of this Response brings to a close the comprehensive evaluation process that began in 2020. NASM appreciates the institution's extraordinary efforts clearly evident in its application. To assist with future planning, the institution may wish to note that its next comprehensive review is scheduled to be conducted during the 2029-2030 academic year.

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Executive Director

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## RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE, PART II

### ARTICLE XIII DISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

**Section 1.** NASM provides numerous services that include the publication of policy statements, reports, and surveys. These are available to the public, some for a fee. Upon request, NASM will provide the academic and professional qualifications of the members of its policy and decision-making bodies and its administrative personnel.

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The same rule and sequence are applied to individuals and organizations misrepresenting or distorting accreditation actions of NASM.

NASM reserves the right to correct false or misleading information at any time.

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