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April 24, 2018

Dave Mickey Chair, Department of Theatre and Dance California State University, Fullerton 800 North State College Boulevard, CPAC 141 Fullerton, CA 92831

Dear Professor Mickey:

Thank you for submitting your application for review by the NAST Commission on Accreditation. The Commission, at its March 2018 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, Fullerton according to the NAST accreditation standards in effect in March of 2018.

As an accredited institutional member of NAST, the institution is reminded of its responsibility to participate in reviews and revisions to the NAST *Handbook*, and to maintain its operations and programs current with NAST 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 NAST accreditation standards and guidelines. Further, the Commission and Association appreciate the work accomplished by the institution and its theatre unit on behalf of theatre and higher education.

Please contact the NAST 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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cc: Framroze Virjee, 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.

April 24, 2018

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON Department of Theatre and Dance

Action:

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

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

NAST Degree Listing:

Bachelor of Arts-4 years: Theatre Arts.

Bachelor of Fine Arts-4 years: Acting; Musical Theatre.

Master of Fine Arts-2 to 3 years: Design and Technical Production (Costume Design, Lighting Design,

Scenic Design, Technical Production); Directing.

Next Full Review:

2025-2026 Academic Year

Notes:

- 1. The Commission notes that the degree, Bachelor of Arts-4 years: Theatre Arts (Design and Technical Production, Directing, General, Playwriting, Theatre Teaching) is now titled Bachelor of Arts-4 years: Theatre Arts. NAST will update its records and the institution's degree and program information found in the NAST Directory List.
- 2. The Commission notes that the institution intends to offer a Bachelor of Fine Arts-4 years: Theatre Design/Technology (see Response dated January 28, 2018, p.3). The institution is reminded of the NAST requirement that Plan Approval be sought after institutional approval and before students are admitted into the new degree or program (see NAST *Handbook 2017-18*, Rules of Practice and Procedure, Part II, Article VI, Section 2.). Any new degree or program should not be enrolled or listed in the institution's published materials until Plan Approval has been granted (see NAST *Handbook 2017-18*, Rules of Practice and Procedure, Part II., Article VI.).

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3. The Commission notes that the institution has discontinued offering the degree, Master of Fine Arts-2 to 3 years: Acting. NAST will update its records and the institution's degree and program information found in the NAST Directory List. If the institution wishes to reactivate the degree, an application for Plan Approval will be required. Instructions for submitting Plan Approval applications are found in the NAST documents Policies and Procedures for Reviews of New Curricula and Instructions for Preparing Curricular Tables in the NAST Format. These documents may be downloaded from the NAST website at https://nast.arts-accredit.org (see "Accreditation," beneath that "Accreditation Materials," beneath that "Procedures," and beneath that "New Curricula").

Commendation:

The Commission commends the institution for the time and effort expended to address all concerns noted in the Commission Action Report dated April 14, 2017.

Completion of Process:

The acceptance of this Response brings to a close the comprehensive evaluation process that began in 2016. NAST 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 2025-2026 academic year.

Karen P. Moynahan Executive Director

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NAST Handbook 2017-18

RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

PART IL: ARTICLE XIII

DISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Section 1. NAST 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, NAST will provide the academic and professional qualifications of the members of its policy and decision-making bodies and its administrative personnel.

Section 2. Upon request, NAST will make publicly available all information about an institution that is published in NAST literature (see Rules of Practice and Procedure, Part II., Article XI., Section 3.). NAST will also indicate whether or not an institution holds or has held accredited Membership.

Section 3. NAST will not make publicly available any information supplied by the institution or by representatives of NAST in the course of the accreditation process. This includes Self-Study Reports, Visitors' Reports, and correspondence. While NAST encourages institutions to make publicly available information about their accredited status and to share accreditation materials with individuals and agencies having legitimate claim to information beyond that available to the general public, the Association regards all accreditation materials as the property of the institution. Therefore, release of these materials is either through the institution or by its permission.

Section 4. NAST will not make publicly available any information provided in third-party comment or an institution's response to third-party comment or any correspondence related to third-party comment. See Rules of Practice and Procedure, Part II., Article IV., Section 1.

Section 5. If an institution releases information that misrepresents or distorts any action by NAST with respect to any aspect of the accreditation process, or the status of affiliation with NAST, the chief executive officer of the institution and the program director, where applicable, will be notified by the NAST Executive Director and informed that corrective action must be taken. If the misrepresentation or distortion is not promptly corrected, NAST, at its discretion, may release a public statement in such a form and content as it deems necessary to provide the correct information.

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

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

Section 6. Certain relationships yield information which legally cannot be disclosed without the consent of the person who provides it—for example, the relationship between physician and patient, between attorney and client, between clergy and penitent, etc. Should such information, or other information that is protected under law by a comparable privilege or safeguard, come into the hands of NAST or an NAST evaluation team, its disclosure to persons other than the immediate recipients is forbidden.