

# Accrediting Council

On Education in Journalism and Mass Communications

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS -- The Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC) accredited five new schools at its May 2 meeting in Arlington, Virginia.

The new schools are the School of Mass Communication at Loyola University in New Orleans; School of Journalism and Mass Media at the University of Idaho; department of communication and journalism at Technologico de Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico; Graduate School of Journalism at the City University of New York; and the department of journalism and mass communication at California State University, Long Beach.

David Boardman, dean of the School of Media and Communication at Temple University, will become the Council's president effective with the Aug. 22 meeting in Chicago. He succeeds Peter Bhatia who served seven years as president. Bhatia will remain on the Council as the representative for the American Society of News Editors.

The Council made 23 accreditation decisions. ACEJMC now accredits 116 schools in the United States and outside the country. ACEJMC conducts voluntary reviews for schools with professional journalism and mass communications programs.

The Council elected two new members to a three-year term on the Accrediting Committee: Heidi de Laubenfels, director of communications and external relations, McKinstry, Seattle, and Wanda Lloyd, chair of the department of mass communications, Savannah State University. Vincent Duffy, news director at Michigan Public Radio, Ann Arbor, was elected to serve the one-year unexpired term of Raul Ramirez.

Re-elected to serve three-year terms were Kathryn Christensen, professor of practice at the College of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Nebraska, and Charlotte Hall, retired senior vice president and editor of the *Orlando Sentinel*.

The department of journalism and public communication at the University of Alaska Anchorage received provisional reaccreditation. The program was in noncompliance with Standard 6 Student Services and Standard 9 Assessment of Learning Outcomes. Schools that receive provisional reaccreditation do not lose any rights or privileges of accreditation but must correct the weaknesses within two years.

Programs at the following schools were removed from provisional status and received full accreditation:

Undergraduate program in the School of Communication and Journalism, Auburn University

Undergraduate program in the department of mass communication, Southern University

Online professional master's program in mass communication in the department of journalism and mass communication, South Dakota State University

The following schools received reaccreditation for their undergraduate programs:

Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Mass Communications, Hampton University

Department of Communication, Jacksonville State University

A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Communications, Kansas State University

Department of Journalism, San Francisco State University

Department of Journalism, Temple University

Department of Communication, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Department of Communications, University of Tennessee at Martin

Communication Department, Buffalo State (SUNY)

Department of Journalism, Media Studies and Public Relations, Hofstra University

School of Journalism, Michigan State University

School of Media and Strategic Communications, Oklahoma State University

School of Journalism, University of Southern Illinois Carbondale

Donald W. Reynolds School of Journalism and Center for Advanced Media Studies, University of Nevada, Reno

Department of Communication and Journalism, University of New Mexico

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