

**EXCERPT FROM THE 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 - Columbia**

**Date of the Review:**                **November 3-4, 2020**

**SACSCOC Staff Member:**        **Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover**

**Chair of the Committee:**         **Dr. Timothy S. Brophy**  
**Director, Institutional Assessment**  
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## 9.7 Program Requirements

- 9.7 The institution publishes requirements for its undergraduate, graduate, and post-baccalaureate professional programs, as applicable. The requirements conform to commonly accepted standards and practices for degree programs.  
*(Program requirements)*

### **Compliance**

The Off-Site Reaffirmation Committee found support for the institution's case for compliance.

The Off-Site Reaffirmation Committee reviewed documentation of the institutions program requirements. The institution demonstrated published requirements for its undergraduate, graduate, and post-baccalaureate professional programs. Layout of the graduate and undergraduate catalogs were consistent, clear, and easy to navigate and are updated annually to reflect recent program requirement changes. Following institutional policies and procedures, new degree proposals and proposals to amend existing programs are reviewed and approved by faculty curriculum committees at the departmental/school, college, institutional, and state levels.