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Mr. Robert L. "Bob" Caslen, Jr.
President
University of South Carolina - Columbia
Osborne Administration Building, Suite 206
Columbia, SC 29208

Dear Mr. Caslen:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure

Master of Science (M.S.) in Software Engineering

Master of Science (M.S.) in Information Security

Submission date:

5/20/2020

Implementation date:

12/1/2020

Case ID:

SC011352

The University of South Carolina in Columbia has decided to close two Master of Science (M.S.) degree programs: Information Security, and Software Engineering. Both programs failed to meet minimum productivity requirements due to low enrollments. Currently enrolled students have been informed of the closures and will not be negatively impacted as they are expected to graduate by the December 2020. Faculty have also been informed of the closures and will not be impacted as there are no courses or advising responsibilities that are solely devoted to either program.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Master of Science (M.S.) degree program in Information Security and the M.S. degree program in Software Engineering.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover at 404-679-4501 or via email at lthomas-glover@sacscoc.org.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Mr. Douglas D. Miles, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Accreditation
Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover