MEMORANDUM

TO: POTENTIAL CONTINUING EDUCATION AND MASTER OF EDUCATION AND MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS AT AUGUSTANA UNIVERSITY

FROM: LAURIE DAILY, AUGUSTANA UNIVERSITY

SUBJECT: ACCREDITATION STATUS DATE: SEPTEMBER 10.2020

CC: DR. COLIN IRVINE, PROVOST & EXECUTIVE VP

JULIE YEAGER, VP/LEARNERS EDGE

Augustana is accredited as a four-year institution by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA). The address and phone number of the association are, as follows:

The Higher Learning Commission

230 S. LaSalle St, Suite 7-500 Chicago, IL 60604-1413

Phone: 800-621-7440

Original accreditation 1931; Last accreditation visit 2011; Next accreditation visit 2021.

Augustana is also accredited by the South Dakota Department of Education. Our next accreditation visit is scheduled for October 18-20, 2020. http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teacheredprograms.aspx.

The M.Ed program does not lead to any type of licensure or endorsement. Certified teachers in SD are allowed to add an endorsement in K-12 Special Education or Early Childhood Special Education provided they have met all current requirements for the endorsement. https://cdn2.hubspot.net/hubfs/345105/Augie-Memo-Accreditation.pdf

All graduate degree programs are also approved by the Veterans Administration under Title 38, U.S. Code in accordance with VAR 14253 and 14273.

The University is on the approved list of the American Association of University Women. It is authorized under Federal Law to enroll non-immigrant alien students.

Augustana holds membership in the Association of American Colleges and Universities, the Council of Independent Colleges, the Lutheran Educational Conference of North America, the South Dakota Association of Independent Colleges, the College Board, the Association of Governing Boards and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, and the South Dakota Association of Colleges of Teacher Education (SDACTE). Augustana is an active member and participant in numerous professional and learned societies and groups.