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Dear Clinical Mental Health Counseling students,

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) program, in which you are enrolled, has successfully maintained its accreditation status from the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

Fall 2023, the dedicated core faculty of the CMHC program submitted an interim report to CACREP in support of the program's continued accreditation. We are pleased to announce that our CACREP accreditation has been accepted and we are fully accredited through October 2027, the normal timeline for accreditation.

CMHC Program Leader and CACREP Liaison, Dr. Brenda Ross, along with core CMHC faculty Dr. Dan Bishop and Dr. Anne Adrian, did excellent work with the three areas of continued concern from CACREP in the previous interim report: two related to the number of full time core faculty, and one related to program assessment. You can find the results of the program assessment in the Annual Report on Concordia-Chicago's CMHC webpage. A new core faculty person will join the CMHC program this fall.

We look forward to continued partnership with CACREP to make our CMHC program robust and our graduates proud.

If you have any questions about this please don't hesitate to contact Dr. Ross or myself. Thank you for the privilege of helping you prepare for vocations of service to our community.

Sincerely, Sue Walsh

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