

National Architectural Accrediting Board, Inc.

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Virginia S. Hinshaw, Ph.D.  
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Dear Chancellor Hinshaw:

At the February 2008 meeting of the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), the board reviewed the *Visiting Team Report* for the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa School of Architecture.

The board noted the concern of the visiting team regarding problems with in several areas including transparency and selection process for practicum, degree of change and leadership and collaborative efforts.

As a result, the professional architecture program:

Doctor of Architecture

was formally granted a six-year term of accreditation with the stipulation that a focused evaluation be scheduled in three years to look only at Public Information and Financial Resources and the progress that has been made in these areas. The accreditation term is effective January 1, 2007. The program is scheduled for its next full accreditation visit in 2012. The focused evaluation is scheduled for the calendar year 2009.

Accreditation is subject to the submission of *Annual Reports*. *Annual Reports* are due by June 1 and **must** include a response to each condition identified as not met in the *Visiting Team Report*, a response to each of the causes of concern in the *Visiting Team Report*, a brief summary of changes that have been made or may be made in the accredited program, and the two-page statistical report. If an acceptable *Annual Report* is not submitted to the NAAB by the time of its fall board meeting, the NAAB may consider advancing the schedule for the program's next accreditation sequence. A complete description of the *Annual Report* process can be found on pages 14-15 of the *NAAB Procedures for Accreditation, 2006 Edition*.

NAAB encourages public dissemination of information about each school contained in both the school's *Architecture Program Report* and the *Visiting Team Report*. If the *Visiting Team Report* is made public, then it is to be published in its entirety.

The visiting team has asked me to express its appreciation for your gracious hospitality.

Very truly yours,



Bruce E. Blackmer, FAIA  
President

Enc. Visiting Team Report

cc: Clark E. Llewellyn, Dean ✓  
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