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C. Jack Maynard, Interim Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs Indiana State University Parsons Hall Room 208 210 North 7th Street Terre Haute, IN 47809

Dear Dr. Maynard:

Congratulations! Your interior design program leading to the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree meets FIDER Professional Standards and has been awarded accreditation for a term of six years, effective October 2004. The FIDER Accreditation Commission is pleased to recognize your program for this achievement.

Award of FIDER accreditation attests to the quality of your interior design program and benefits your program in many ways. Parents, students, and employers of graduates can be assured that your program meets the rigor of peer review and develops the skills and knowledge required to practice interior design. Furthermore, the accreditation process provides your program valuable input for continued development and assists the program in adapting to meet evolving professional requirements as FIDER updates standards.

The enclosed Accreditation Report contains the evaluation of your program's compliance with FIDER Standards. Program quality is assessed primarily through student learning evidenced in student work. The Accreditation Report includes detailed comments in relation to student performance under Educational Program Standards. While many areas of program strength were identified, some weaknesses were also found and are identified with recommendations for improvement. Recommendations for improvement provide valuable information for strengthening program compliance with FIDER Standards and future program development.

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Progress toward meeting recommendations for improvement is to be reported to FIDER in three years. A reminder notice is sent six months prior to the due date of this report. The program should be revisited in **fall 2010** to seek continued accreditation.

Published information regarding your accreditation status must comply with FIDER's confidentiality and disclosure policy as stated in Accreditation Section VI, page 1 of the *FIDER Accreditation Manual* (also see Program Announcement and Disclosure of Accredited Status, Accreditation Section VI, page 4). It is important that all announcements of FIDER accreditation include the name of the program, the degree or certificate awarded, and the name of FIDER standards used to evaluate the program.

The members of the FIDER Accreditation Commission join me in extending congratulations to your program. We look forward to working with your program in the years ahead.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kayem Dunn", written in black ink.

Kayem Dunn
Executive Director

Enclosures

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