

# COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

## RECOGNITION DECISION SUMMARY

### ACCREDITATION COMMISSION FOR AUDIOLOGY EDUCATION (ACAE)

In accordance with the [2021 CHEA Standards and Procedures for Recognition](#), Procedures-B.11, this summary provides the reason(s) for the recognition decision by the CHEA Board of Directors.

#### **Profile of Accrediting Organization**

Type of Accreditor: Programmatic

Number of Programs: 5

#### **Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation**

*Doctor of Audiology Degree (Au.D) awarded by programs in institutions throughout the US that have the legal authority to confer higher education degrees. (2012)*

#### **CHEA Recognition Information**

History: Initial recognition by CHEA in April 2012

#### **Most Recent Recognition Action**

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, January 24, 2022

Decision: The CHEA Board of Directors awarded continuing CHEA-recognition for a term of seven-years with an Interim Report due at the midpoint of the recognition term (December 1, 2025).

#### **Summary of Prior Recognition Decisions**

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, April 30, 2012: The CHEA Board of Directors awarded initial recognition for the maximum term of 10 years. The CHEA recognition policy requires that an accrediting organization undergo a recognition review at least every 10 years and submit two interim reports.

The CHEA Committee on Recognition and the Board of Directors reviewed the Accreditation Commission for Audiology Education (ACAE). The review was based on the six CHEA recognition standards that require an accrediting organization to show that its accreditation process advances academic quality, demonstrates accountability, encourages self-scrutiny and planning, employs fair and appropriate procedures and demonstrates ongoing review of practice, and that it possesses sufficient resources to carry out its accreditation processes (*2006 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures*, Paragraphs 12A-12F, pp. 5-8).

ACAE demonstrated that it meets these standards and that its accreditation process is consistent with the quality improvement and accountability expectations that CHEA has established.

**Additional Determination:** ACAE is required to provide a report due in two years on continuing implementation of its Memorandum of Understanding with the American Academy of Audiology to demonstrate that predictable and stable resources are maintained, including adequate financial, staff and operational resources to perform accreditation functions efficiently and effectively (Paragraph 12(F)(1), *2006 CHEA Policy and Procedures*).

#### **Prior Actions on ACAE's Application for Recognition**

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, May 2–3, 2011: The Board of Directors deferred recognition in order to obtain additional information regarding ACAE's financial, staff and operational resources (Paragraph 12(F)(1), *2006 CHEA Policies and Procedures*) and ACAE's implementation of accreditation standards or policies that require institutions or

programs routinely to provide reliable information to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or program (Paragraph 12(B)(1), *2006 CHEA Policies and Procedures*).

Profile, scope and recognition information as of February 3, 2022