

National Architectural Accrediting Board, Inc.

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Walter E. Massey, Ph.D.  
President  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
37 South Wabash Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60603

Dear President Massey:

At the July 2014 meeting of the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), the directors reviewed the Visiting Team Report (VTR) for the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Department of Architecture, Interior Architecture and Designed Objects.

As a result, the professional architecture program **Master of Architecture** was formally granted an eight-year term of accreditation.

This new, maximum term of accreditation was approved by the NAAB in March 2013 and put into effect for all decisions made after July 1, 2013.

The accreditation term is effective January 1, 2014. The program is scheduled for its next accreditation visit in 2022.

Continuing accreditation is subject to two reporting requirements.

First, all programs must submit an Annual Statistical Report (see Section 10 of the NAAB *Procedures for Accreditation*, 2012 Edition, **Amended**). This report captures statistical information on the institution and the program.

Second, any program that receives an eight-year term of accreditation is required to submit an *Interim Progress Report* two years after a visit and again five years after the visit. This requirement is described in Section 11 of the 2012 NAAB *Procedures*. The next statistical report is due November 30, 2014; the first interim progress report is due November 2016.

Finally, under the terms of the 2012 *Procedures for Accreditation*, programs are required to make the Architecture Program Report, the VTR, and related documents available to the public. Please see Section 3, Paragraph 8 (page 22), for additional information.

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

Very truly yours,

  
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President-elect

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