

July 23, 2021

Kirk Schulz President Washington State University P.O. Box 641048 Pullman, WA 99164-1048

# Dear President Schulz:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on June 23-25, 2021, concerning the Spring 2021 Mid-Cycle Review of Washington State University.

### Accreditation

Accept the Report

# Status of Previous Recommendations Addressed in this Evaluation

- Recommendation 1: Spring 2018 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability Fulfilled
- Recommendation 3: Spring 2018 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability Continued as Needs Improvement and Revised to Recommendation 1: Spring 2021 Mid-Cycle Review

# Recommendations Substantially in Compliance but in Need of Improvement

The Commission recommends that Washington State University:

Recommendation 1: Spring 2021 Mid-Cycle Review - Utilize results of core theme assessments and results
of assessments of programs and services more consistently for improvement by informing, planning,
decision making, and allocation of resources and capacity. (2020 Standard(s) 1.B.1)

#### **Future Evaluations**

- Year 6 Standard 2 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review Spring 2024
- Year 7 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness Spring 2025
  - o Recommendation 1: Spring 2021 Mid-Cycle Review

NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact your staff liaison, Dr. Selena Grace, at sgrace@nwccu.org.

Sincerely,

Sonny Ramaswamy President

cc: Dr. Craig Parks, Vice Provost for System Innovation and Policy

Mr. Brett Blankenship, Chair, Board of RegentsMs. Marty Dickinson, Chair, Board of Regents

Dr. Frank Shushok, Vice President for Student Affairs, Virginia Tech