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Case

Periodic Report

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Additional Information

Reviewer Decision

Continued Approval

Decision Summary

Final Decision Executive Summary:

Thank you for your timely response to the non-compliance decision made by the ACS Committee on Professional Training (CPT) at its January 2020 virtual meeting. Reviewers evaluated your response addressing the reviewers concerns regarding faculty contact hours and frequency of offering advanced courses. At the recent virtual March 2021 session, the response was reviewed by members of CPT. Overall, Coe's program is strong, and the reviewers have recommended continuation of its status as an ACS approved program. Your next periodic report will be due June 30, 2024.

Final Program Strengths:

Reviewers commend the department's request to the administration to provide additional support for teaching both lecture-based courses and laboratory courses. The committee also applauds the positive response by the administration and your subsequent hiring of an additional full-time faculty member in August 2019. This additional faculty member benefits individual faculty member's workloads, now bringing contact hours in compliance with ACS guidelines. At the same time, the move of the administration to lower the minimum enrollment necessary to offer advanced courses is to be lauded. CPT is pleased to see that you are now regularly meeting the guidelines of four in-depth courses per year. You asked about the viability of using the summer months to meet the in-depth course requirement, but, at this time, the requirement must be met during the academic year.

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