Dear Director Sullivan:

Thank you for submitting your application for review by the NASM Commission on Accreditation. The Commission, at its November 2018 meetings, took action on the institution’s application.

Please find enclosed a Commission Action Report describing this action in detail. This Report contains information of note and, if applicable, any requests for further information from the Commission. Please note the Association’s policy regarding Disclosure and Confidentiality, a copy of which has been enclosed.

This action is taken based upon a review of Northern Arizona University according to the NASM accreditation standards in effect in November 2018.

As an accredited institutional member of NASM, the institution is reminded of its responsibility to participate in reviews and revisions to the NASM Handbook, and to maintain its operations and programs current with NASM standards as these are developed and approved.

The Commission on Accreditation and the Association appreciate the institution’s efforts with regard to its application, and its careful consideration of and attention to NASM accreditation standards and guidelines. Further, the Commission and Association appreciate the work accomplished by the institution on behalf of music and higher education.

Please contact the NASM National Office staff if you have questions or need assistance with regard to this action or any other aspect of the work of the Association.

We offer congratulations on your achievements and best wishes for the continuing success of the institution.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Karen P. Moynahan
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: Rita Cheng, President
Northern Arizona University
December 17, 2018

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY
School of Music

Action:

Action 1 of 1: Application for renewal of Membership – Response

The Commission voted to accept the Response and grant renewal of Membership with the degree listing indicated below.

NASM Degree Listing:

Bachelor of Arts in Music.
Bachelor of Music Education (Choral, Instrumental).
Bachelor of Music in Performance (Instrumental, Vocal).
Master of Music in Composition.
Master of Music in Conducting (Choral, Instrumental).
Master of Music in Musicology/Ethnomusicology.
Master of Music in Performance (Suzuki Violin/Instrumental, Vocal).
Master of Music in Piano Accompanying and Chamber Music.
Master of Music in Theory.

Next Full Review:

2026-2027 Academic Year

Note:

The Commission notes that the institution has discontinued offering the degree, Master of Music in Music Teaching. NASM will update its records and the institution’s degree and program information found in the NASM Directory List. If the institution wishes to reactivate the degree, an application for Plan Approval will be required. Instructions for submitting Plan Approval applications are found in the NASM documents Policies and Procedures for Reviews of New Curricula and Instructions for Preparing Curricular Tables in the NASM Format. These documents may be downloaded from the NASM website at https://nasm.arts-accredit.org (see “Accreditation,” beneath that “Accreditation Materials,” beneath that “Procedures,” and beneath that “New Curricula”).
Commendation:

The Commission commends the institution for its thoughtful, concise, and comprehensive Response.

Completion of Process:

The acceptance of this Response brings to a close the comprehensive evaluation process that began in 2017. NASM appreciates the institution’s extraordinary efforts clearly evident in its application. To assist with future planning, the institution may wish to note that its next comprehensive review is scheduled to be conducted during the 2026-2027 academic year.

Karen P. Moynahan  
Executive Director

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