



## Commission on Teacher Credentialing

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Dr. Michael Hillis, Dean  
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Thousand Oaks, CA, 91360

Dear Dean Hillis:

I am writing to inform you that on January 29, 2026, the Committee on Accreditation, on behalf of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, assigned the status of *Accreditation with a 7th Year Report* to California Lutheran University and its credential programs. On the basis of this decision, the institution is authorized to offer the following programs:

Preliminary Multiple Subjects  
Preliminary Single Subject  
Bilingual Added Authorization  
Preliminary Education Specialist: Mild to Moderate Support Needs  
Preliminary Education Specialist: Extensive Support Needs  
Preliminary Education Specialist: Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
Preliminary Administrative Services  
Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling and Child Welfare and Attendance

The 7<sup>th</sup> year report is to be submitted within one year of COA action and should provide an update on those standards that were met with concerns.

In addition:

- The institution's response to the preconditions is accepted.
- California Lutheran University is permitted to propose new credential programs for approval by the Committee on Accreditation.
- California Lutheran University continues in its assigned cohort on the schedule of accreditation activities as determined by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Should you or your staff have any questions relating to this action, you may address them to Cheryl Hickey, Administrator of Accreditation, at [chickey@ctc.ca.gov](mailto:chickey@ctc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Vixie Sandy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Vixie Sandy, Ed. D.  
Executive Director

cc: Dr. Mel Spence, Assistant Dean of Assessment and Accreditation,  
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