

# Recommendation to Remove Stipulations for Azusa Pacific University March 2016

## Overview of this Report

This report presents progress made by Azusa Pacific University (APU) to address the stipulations placed upon the institution as a result of Committee on Accreditation (COA) action at the April 30, 2015 COA meeting.

## Recommendations

1. That the stipulation from the 2015 accreditation visit be removed.
2. That the accreditation decision be changed from **Accreditation with Stipulations** to **Accreditation**.

## Background

Azusa Pacific University's accreditation visit was held March 29-31, 2015. The team report was presented to the COA on April 30, 2015 and may be found at: <https://info.ctc.ca.gov/fmi/xsl/cnt/9-Azusa%20Pacific%20University%20-%20FINAL.pdf?-db=PSD Program Sponsors DB&-lay=php Accreditation Reports list&-recid=1&-field=COA Report Site Visit>

The COA acted to determine an accreditation status of **Accreditation with Stipulations**. The letter stating COA action is available at the following link: <https://info.ctc.ca.gov/fmi/xsl/cnt/APU%20%20Accreditation%20w%20Stip.pdf?-db=PSD Program Sponsors DB&-lay=php Accreditation Reports list&-recid=1&-field=COA Letter>

The following stipulations were adopted by the COA for Azusa Pacific University.

- By July 1, 2015, Azusa Pacific University is to notify the Commission on Teacher Credentialing if it will close the California Teachers of English Learners (CTEL) program or not. If the decision is to not close the CTEL program, Azusa Pacific University is required to host a focused site visit in fall 2015 for a full review of the CTEL program.
- Azusa Pacific University is to provide the Commission on Teacher Credentialing with a resolution of the existing CTEL program and a plan for students to complete that program.

An agenda item (<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2015-06/2015-06-item-31.pdf>) was presented at the June 2015 COA meeting that provided information on APU's initial work to address the stipulations placed on the university by the COA. The COA directed that APU complete its plan to teach out the current candidates in the CTEL program and report back by June 2016 on the candidates' progress.

Azusa Pacific University reports that it has completed its teach out of all CTEL candidates and is requesting to withdraw the CTEL program at this Committee meeting.

**Next Steps**

Based on the documentation provided, the Commission staff recommend that the Committee on Accreditation remove the stipulation placed on the institution in 2015 and change the accreditation status of Azusa Pacific University from ***Accreditation with Stipulations*** to ***Accreditation***.

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Committee on Accreditation  
California Commission on Teacher Credentialing  
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Sacramento, CA 95811-4213

Dear Committee on Accreditation:

Azusa Pacific University's School of Education completed the teach-out of our CTEL program with the completion of our Fall 2015 semester. We respectfully request that the Committee on Accreditation remove the stipulations from our accreditation decision now that the School of Education has completed the CTEL teach-out.

Thank you,



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