

# Accrediting Council

On Education in Journalism and Mass Communications

May 9, 2023

Geoffrey S. Mearns, President  
Ball State University

Dear President Mearns:

The Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications met April 28 in Chicago and voted 19-0 that the School of Journalism and Strategic Communication at Ball State University receive reaccreditation. Johnny Sparks, director, and Gabriel Tait, associate professor, attended the meeting.

The Council discussed the noncompliance on Standard 3 (Assessment of Learning Outcomes) but concurred with the site team and Committee recommendations for reaccreditation. The next site team will pay particular attention to improvements on Standard 3.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate with your faculty and administrators in the assessment of your program. The goal of the Accrediting Council is to improve the quality of education offered to students served by a program through that assessment. Please accept my congratulations and best wishes for success for the School of Journalism and Strategic Communication, its students, faculty and the professional media constituencies it serves.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Del Galloway". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Del Galloway, ACEJMC President

cc

Johnny Sparks, Director  
Joe Foote, site team chair  
Marie Hardin, chair, Accrediting Committee  
Patricia Thompson, executive director, ACEJMC