

Yale SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

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David Hoffman, FAIA NCARB
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Via email to NAABboard@naab.org

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

I write in response to NAAB's letter of 28 November 2023 to Provost Strobel regarding Continuing Accreditation for the Yale School of Architecture. We were pleased to receive our eight-year term, and well as the many supportive comments in the Program Review.

This letter comprises our Plan to Correct as directed by your letter, as follows:

4.2 Professional Degrees and Curriculum: NAAB is currently considering changing the language in this Condition to reflect our circumstances (and those of other institutions with similar degree nomenclature) and we understand that you are considering comments received as of 1 June 2023. Should NAAB choose to adopt this proposed change, we will submit a plan to conform to the new requirements of Condition 6 as soon as possible and include NAAB's digital badge and other information on our transcripts and website. This commitment is contingent upon your decision regarding Condition 4.2, and should that change not occur, we will begin further discussions with NAAB regarding our situation.

5.2 Planning and Assessment: As part of our periodic updates to our Strategic Plan, we have revised the language of the section entitled "Pedagogy and Program" to include regular review and evaluation of accreditation requirements in our curriculum. The Strategic Plan is our operating template for each year, so this requirement will be revisited frequently. The adjusted language can be found in the attached document.

We look forward to the successful resolution of Condition 4.2 and would appreciate an indication of the timeline for your decision on this change and its implications for Yale Architecture.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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Pedagogy and Program

Goal

Offer an integrated curriculum and programming that respond to the needs and conditions of building in the 21st century.

Objectives

	Baseline	Year 1	Year 3
Enhance success and fulfillment of graduates	Survey recent alumni (include in alumni demographic survey)	Review curriculum and services based on survey results	Review changes based on review
		Develop funding strategies for curricular development in key areas	
	Regularly evaluate core curriculum to adhere to NAAB-established accreditation requirements	Plan to Correct submission in June 2023	Review by Curriculum Committee in 2025, 2028
Enhance influence in architectural education and beyond	Review curriculum to define how core values are reflected		
	# of published articles about YSoA pedagogy	+10%	+20%
	# of published articles by YSoA faculty	+10%	+20%
	# of Yale alumni teaching and leading elsewhere	Monitor and strategize	Monitor and strategize
	# of YSoA media mentions	+10%	+20%

Strategies

- Increase and expand student access to research infrastructure and innovation opportunities
- Strengthen PhD programs
- Define role of research in our programs
- Consider addition of masters-level urban studies program
- Build continuing education program
- Monitor conformance to NAAB accreditation requirements.