

NAAB RESPONSE TO UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS 2009 ANNUAL REPORT

Date Report Received: November 30, 2009
Current Term of Accreditation: 6 Years with FE in 3 Years
Year of Next Visit: 2014
Focused Evaluation: Y
Year of FE: 2011
Scope of FE: Social Equity and Physical Resources

Section One: Checklist of required elements

Part I Statistical Report	√Included	Not Included
Part II Narrative Report	√Included	Not Included

Section Two: Assessment of Narrative Report

NOTE 1: If a deficiency is included in the scope of an FE, the program may not be released from reporting on it in Part II of the Annual Report, except by the FE Team.

NOTE 2: Although an area may be marked “satisfied, no further reporting required,” the next visiting team will still make its own assessment of the program’s response to the deficiency in the next *Visiting Team Report*.

DEFICIENCIES

Condition 4. Social Equity

The program’s efforts to address this deficiency are duly noted. Please continue to report on the results of the program’s various diversity initiatives.

Condition 5. Physical Resources

The program’s efforts to address this deficiency are duly noted. Please continue to report on the status of the planned renovations to Vol Walker Hall as well as the capital campaign.

Criterion 13.25. Construction Cost Control

The program is advised to provide documentation that addresses this deficiency, including the syllabus for the Professional Practice course and assignments related to this criterion.

CAUSES OF CONCERN

Condition 1. Program Response to NAAB Perspectives

The program’s progress in this area is duly noted. Please continue to report on results of efforts to promote collaboration across disciplines, particularly as related to environmental design and sustainability.

Condition 3. Public Information

No further reporting required.

Condition 5. Studio Culture

No further reporting required.

Condition 6. Human Resource Development

The program's response regarding professional/academic development for faculty is duly noted. Please continue to report on the effect of the economic downturn on faculty salaries and efforts to address this concern.

Condition 9. Information Resources

The NAAB notes that library funding is beyond the purview of the school of architecture. However, as in the 2009 Annual Report, please continue to report on efforts to address this concern.

Condition 10. Financial Resources

See above (Condition 5 Physical Resources and Condition 6 Human Resources).

CHANGES TO THE ACCREDITED PROGRAM

New structure for 5th-year B.Arch.

Course work in the technology sequence has been restructured to facilitate creation of a technology-focused studio.