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Dear Dr. Lambert:

The Committee on Accreditation (CoA) reviewed the application for Candidacy status of Master of Library Science program. Based on an analysis and discussion, the Committee voted to maintain Precandidacy status.

To proceed in Precandidacy status, please provide a progress report no later than May 10, 2023, which is 45 days before the CoA meeting at the ALA Annual Conference that convenes on June 23, 2023. In the report, provide in detail the types of evidence that will be used to demonstrate compliance with the Standards during the Candidacy period.

The Committee invites you to visit with us for 45 minutes or less during the Spring Meeting, April 20-21, 2023, to be conducted virtually, to ask any questions that you may have about the process and the expectations. The Office is prepared to arrange that meeting.

The schedule of reporting is as follows:

Report	Due date
Annual statistical data. Review the statistics the program makes available, per policy I.18.1 Statistical Reporting	February 15, 2023
Precandidacy Progress Report	May 10, 2023

The Committee on Accreditation appreciates this opportunity to remain apprised of developments in your program and extends best wishes for the remainder of the academic year.

Sincerely yours,

Athena Salaba, Chair, ALA Committee on Accreditation

cc: James Huffman, Chair, Womack Educational Leadership Department, Middle Tennessee State University
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