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STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

College:	Samuel Merritt University College of Podiatric Medicine
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President:	Ching-Hua Wang, MD, PhD
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Date of Initial Accreditation:	1922
Accreditation:	CPME: October 2022 WASC Senior College and University Commission: 2021
Maximum Enrollment:	48 (October 2014)
Date of Previous Evaluations:	California College of Podiatric Medicine September 9-11, 1996 (Focused - CPME) March 16-18, 1998 (Comprehensive - CPME) January 10-11, 1999 (Focused - CPME) California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University May 29-30, 2002 (Focused with WASC related to merger) November 11-13, 2002 (Comprehensive - CPME) May 1-3, 2006 (Comprehensive - CPME) June 9-12, 2014 (Comprehensive – CPME) June 13-16, 2022 (Comprehensive – CPME)
Next Scheduled Site Visit:	CPME: spring/summer 2025 (Focused – CPME) CPME: spring/summer 2027 (Comprehensive – CPME) WASC Senior College and University Commission: 2030

Brief History since the Last Comprehensive Evaluation:

October 2022 Council Meeting

Based on review of the comprehensive report of the evaluation team and the school's written response to the team report, the Council granted accreditation of the California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University through October 2027. A comprehensive on-site re-evaluation may be expected in spring/summer 2027 and a focused visit may be expected in three years (spring/summer 2025) to assess the progress of the school in meeting the required CPME standards. The maximum first-year class enrollment for the college is 48.

Following review of the on-site team report, the Accreditation Committee and the Council determined that the college is in noncompliance with four new standards and requirements (Standard 1B, Strategic Planning; Standard 3D, Professional Staff; Standard 5B, Faculty Size; and Standard 5D, Faculty Policies) and continues with noncompliance with Standard 8C, Programmatic Outcomes from CPME 120, *Standards and Requirements for Accrediting Colleges of Podiatric Medicine*. The school is required to submit a progress report for consideration at the April 2023 meetings of the Accreditation Committee and the Council that includes the college's progress in correcting the areas of noncompliance.

Concerning the substantive change request, the Council fully approves the substantive change submitted by the school following the comprehensive site visit in June 2022.

April 2023 Council Meeting

Following review of the progress report, the Accreditation Committee and the Council determined that the college remains in noncompliance with Standard 1B, Strategic Planning; Standard 3D, Professional Staff; Standard 5B, Faculty Size; and Standard 5D, Faculty Policies and continues with noncompliance with Standard 8C, Programmatic Outcomes from CPME 120, *Standards and Requirements for Accrediting Colleges of Podiatric Medicine*. The college is required to submit a progress report for consideration at the October 2023 meetings of the Accreditation Committee and the Council that includes the college's progress in correcting the areas of noncompliance.

The college must take appropriate action to bring itself into compliance with the standards and requirements. Since the Council first identified the Samuel Merritt University College of Podiatric Medicine as being in noncompliance with Standard 1B, Strategic Planning; Standard 3D, Professional Staff; Standard 5B, Faculty Size; and Standard 5D, Faculty Policies in October 2022, the school has until October 2024 to come into compliance with these standards and requirement. Further, since the Council first identified the Samuel Merritt University College of Podiatric Medicine as being in noncompliance with Standard 8C, in October 2021, the school has until October 2025 to come into compliance due to the Council granting an extension for good cause. Pursuant to the Council's standards and rules, the college is at risk for probation and subsequent withdrawal of accreditation if these areas of noncompliance are not corrected.

Last updated 4.25.2023