

Sat, May 20, 2023

RE: Dean response to Parson Construction Management 5-year review

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Weber State University College of Engineering, Applied Sciences & Technology (EAST), it is a pleasure to write this response for the recent 5-year review of the Parson Construction Management program.

The Parson Construction Management program has a long history of supporting students of all backgrounds, especially non-traditional students from the industry, with pertinent curriculum focused on student success and metrics of that success for the construction industry of Utah and the greater mountain West. I agree that compensation at WSU for adjuncts is low for all majors except Business and that other general education classes could be looked at for timing or need. Also, the department should look at software instruction and staying up-to-date. Finally, the department should revisit the industry accreditation process —either ABET or ACCE.

It is a priority in EAST to support programs that will have a long-term impact on our students and community. I fully support the efforts of the Parson Construction Management program. I believe that the program will continue to foster the kind of knowledge base needed to support our undergraduate students as they apply their skills towards novel and recognized approaches in construction benefitting the community and the students themselves.

Sincerely,

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Weber State University.