



May 13, 2026

President Rebecca Cunningham
University of Minnesota

Dear President Cunningham:

The Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications met May 5, 2026, in Washington, D.C., and voted 16-0 that the Hubbard School of Journalism and Mass Communication receive reaccreditation for all academic programs under review. There were three recusals for conflicts of interest. School Director Elisia Cohen and Site Team Chair Greg Pitts were present.

The Council concurred with the site team and Committee recommendations for reaccreditation. We will be in touch with the school's director about the next visit, scheduled for the 2031-32 academic year.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate with your faculty and administrators in the assessment of the Hubbard School of Journalism and Mass Communication. The goal of the Accrediting Council is to improve the quality of education a program offers to its students. Please accept my congratulations and best wishes for success for the program, its students, faculty, and the professional media constituencies it serves.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Geimann", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Steve Geimann
ACEJMC President

cc: Elisia Cohen, Director
Greg Pitts, Site Team Chair
Rafael Lorente, Chair, Accrediting Committee
Susan Walton, Executive Director, ACEJMC
Darren Phillips, Associate Executive Director, ACEJMC