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July 21, 2025

Ms. Kathy Franken  
President/CFO  
Upper Iowa University  
605 Washington Street  
Fayette, Iowa 52142

Re: Re-authorization to Operate in Oklahoma

Dear President Franken:

This is to notify you that the OSHRE has received Upper Iowa University's (UIU) payment of its 2025-2026 re-authorization and location fees and Oklahoma student tuition recovery fund payment, and that its authorization that was approved by the State Regents at their June 26, 2025 meeting is now in effect.

The term of authorization will be from the date of this letter through the last day of UIU's summer 2026 session. To maintain authorization in good standing during the term of authorization, UIU must operate according to the standards and requirements found in the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education's [Institutional Accreditation and State Authorization](#) policy, including the standards for operation under section 3.1.4.J and reporting requirements under section 3.1.4.M.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Elizabeth Walker, Coordinator for Academic Administration, at (405) 225-9154 or [ok.stateauth@osrhe.edu](mailto:ok.stateauth@osrhe.edu).

Sincerely,



[Joel Kendall \(Jul 21, 2025 13:27 CDT\)](#)

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