Ms. Lindsay Zenner, Veterans Benefits Coordinator
Upper Iowa University
P. O. Box 1857
Fayette, IA 52142

Subject: Approval letter, facility code 31810715 (Cedar Rapids, IA, campus--1641 Boyson Square Drive, Suite 100, Cedar Rapids, IA 52233)

Dear Ms. Zenner:

In accordance with 38 CFR 21.4258, this notice advises you that we have transmitted the following actions(s) to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). We have forwarded copies of this letter and supporting documents to the VA for appropriate action.

On February 18, 2021, the Iowa State Approving Agency received all documentation necessary to complete this action. Someone from our office will notify you if additional information is required.

This letter supersedes our approval dated December 26, 2019, and is based on the following documents that were submitted to our office:

- Upper Iowa University’s 2020-2021 academic catalog.
- Catalog approval worksheet.
- VA Forms 20-8206 and 22-1919.


This approval is effective on the date shown above. Any program not listed in this notice is not approved under Titles 10 and 38, United States Code.

Accrediting and Regulatory Agencies

- Higher Learning Commission.
- Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.
- Iowa Board of Nursing.
- Iowa State Board of Education.

Extensions

Upper Iowa University does not have any campus extensions as defined by 38 CFR 21.4266:
Approvals

Criteria
The 2020-2021 college catalog or student handbook addresses the following policies:

- Institutional refund policies (catalog, pp. 18, 26, 40, 42, 149-150).
- Standards of progress (catalog, pp. 11-13).
- Established standards of conduct (student handbook, pp. 20-74).
- Section 103 of the Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018 (catalog, p. 14).
- Prior credit (catalog, pp. 22-24, 33-35, 146-147).

The catalog and student handbook meet approval criteria.

Academic Calendar
The academic calendar (catalog, pp. 4-5) is approved as published.

Policies
Academic and administrative policies, including program-specific policies, are approved as published.

Programs

Outcomes.
Upper Iowa University offers the following educational awards:

- Associate degrees.
- Bachelor degrees.
- Graduate degrees.
- Certificates.

Accredited programs.

Concentrations, transfer majors, etc.
The VA does not require state approving agencies to approve concentrations, transfer majors, and other subordinate academic disciplines. To help facilitate processing of claims, concentrations offered at your institution are listed in exhibit C.

Additional Provisions

Discontinued programs.
You must submit to our office by March 20, 2021, a list of currently enrolled VA-eligible students in each discontinued program identified in exhibit A. Identified students enrolled in a discontinued program may continue to be certified through the end of their program, if they maintain continuous enrollment.

Practical training courses.
Practical training courses may be certified if your school is accredited and conforms to the criteria outlined in 38 CFR 21.4265. Credit hours must be properly identified on the student's Enrollment Certification VA Form 22-1999. Your school must be able to document that these courses meet the requirements of the law.
Cooperative courses.
Cooperative courses may be certified if your school is accredited and conforms to the criteria outlined in 38 CFR 21.4233(a). Credit hours must be properly identified on the student's Enrollment Certification VA Form 22-1999. Your school must be able to document that these courses meet the requirements of the law.

Independent study.
Courses may be certified for independent study if your school is accredited and conforms to the criteria outlined in 38 CFR 21.4267(b). These courses must be listed in your college catalog, are an integral part of the student's program and credit earned apply to the student's degree objective. Credit hours must be properly identified on the student's Enrollment Certification VA Form 22-1999. Your school must be able to document that these courses meet the requirements of the law.

GI Bill® trademark.¹
If your institution uses the trademarked phrase GI Bill®, then please ensure the phrase is properly notated and attributed. The trademark symbol “®” should be placed at the upper right corner of the trademarked phrase in the most prominent place at first usage; such as the title of a brochure, form, or the very top of a Web page, with the following trademark attribution notice prominently visible: “GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)”.

Next Application for Approval
Upper Iowa University’s next application for approval will be due by March 4, 2022. Please contact our office for a catalog approval worksheet or if you have any questions.

We appreciate your continuing commitment to provide educational programs for veterans and other eligible students under the GI Bill.

Sincerely,

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Veterans and Military Education
515-631-9207
vetsed@iowa.gov

Encl.

cc: Abdul Mackie, VA ELR, Iowa (electronic)

¹ GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.
**Exhibit A: Approved accredited undergraduate-level programs and certificates.**

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