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SOUTHERN ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY AWARDED HSE ACADEMIC REACCREDITATION FOR FIVE YEARS AT THE JUNE 2021 VIRTUAL NAB ANNUAL MEETING

Southern University was the first NAB accredited degree program in Nursing Home Administration in 1995

WASHINGTON, DC--During the June 2021 virtual Annual Meeting, the National Association of Long Term Care Administrator Boards (NAB) Board of Governors awarded five year reaccreditation to Southern Adventist University. This was a particularly proud moment for NAB and Southern Adventist University as this program was the first accredited degree program in Nursing Home Administration when the program was first launched in 1995. This marks the fifth reaccreditation for the program and now one of NAB's 16 accredited degree program.

NAB Chairman Mary Ellen Wilkinson presented the award on June 11th, 2021 and recognized Southern Adventist University for its commitment to higher education and quality program standards for graduates entering the senior living and health services profession. “Southern Adventist has been a leader in recognizing the value of and need for well-educated and trained leaders in furthering public protection and enhanced quality of life for clients of organizations providing senior living and health services.” Lisa Kuhlman, Associate Professor accepted the award on behalf of Southern Adventist University. In accepting the award Ms. Kuhlman stated “We are very pleased to receive this reaccreditation and believe that it affirms our commitment to providing excellence in Christ-centered education. Our program provides students with direct access to Health Services and Senior Living care providers in our community as guest lecturers and course instructors. Students are further developed and mentored by state licensed preceptors in the area through experiential learning by completing a 1,000 hour internship, divided into various areas of care in the industry. We are excited to have an opportunity to prepare the next generation of leaders for this field!”

Established in 1995, NAB's academic accreditation programs goals are to improve and strengthen the academic preparation of Health Services Executives--a goal we believe educators share. NAB encourages improvement of baccalaureate and graduate level HSE degree programs by application of specific accreditation requirements to measure characteristics of a program, and by making judgments about the overall quality of the program.
NAB’s accreditation program as evolved over the past 25 years from a degree in nursing home administration to the current Health Services Executive (HSE) degree program preparing students to meet practice standards in all lines of senior living and health services in states that have adopted the NAB HSE standard. Currently 19 states have adopted the NAB HSE standard.

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