

April 23, 2019

Asst. Prof. Dr. Murat Gulmez CAG University Yaşar Bayboğan Campus Adana Mersin Karayoulu Űzeri Mersin, Turkey 33800

Dear Dr. Gulmez:

The IACBE Board of Commissioners met on April 8-9, 2019 to consider the application of the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences at CAG University for Accreditation status. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your application and granted Candidacy status effective with the date of the meeting.

The Board of Commissioners included one note for you to address as you move forward with you Outcomes Assessment Plan:

Principle 1.1: Outcome Assessment Plan

- 1. It is noted that the capstone course, where the projects are undertaken, is an elective course, and so it is unclear whether all students complete one of the projects. If all students do not complete the project, then the business unit should consider using the projects for internal purposes rather than accreditation reporting.
- 2. It would be useful for the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences to review Intended Student Learning Outcomes (ISLOs) for all programs to ensure that they align with the Key Learning Outcomes they are linked to. For example, ISLO 1 for the Associate's Program in Banking and Insurance states "1. Students will be able to recognize elementary and relevant theoretical knowledge such as business, economics, law, mathematics, statistics, accounting and finance." The Key Learning Outcome linked to this ISLO is #4, where the Associate level performance indicator is "Describe the introductory concepts of traditional areas of business." Here "recognize" does not align with "describe." This sort of issue occurs throughout the OAP, and it would be best to address this prior to the self-study and site visit process.

Please note that candidacy status may not exceed five years. However, under extenuating circumstances and upon written petition, an extension may be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Under no circumstance is there any guarantee that the business programs of candidates

for accreditation will be accredited. This determination is made by the IACBE Board of Commissioners after a self-study is prepared and a site visit is conducted.

The link to your member status page, which contains a listing of your eligible programs, must be provided on the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences home page. You may use the following language on your website:

The Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences at CAG University has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11374 Strang Line Road in Lenexa, Kansas, USA. For a listing of the degrees eligible for accreditation, click <u>here</u>. (linked to <u>https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/CAGUniversity.pdf</u>).

You may use the following notice pertaining to your accreditation status with the IACBE for other official written publications:

The Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences at CAG University has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11374 Strang Line Road in Lenexa, Kansas, USA. In granting candidacy status, the IACBE has determined that the business programs in the following degrees at the listed locations are eligible for accreditation:

Business Program
Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration
Master of Business Administration
Bachelor of Science in International Finance and Banking
Bachelor of Science in Management
Bachelor of Science in International Trade & Logistics
Associate Degree in Banking and Insurance
Associate Degree in Health Institutions Management
Associate Degree in International Trade
Associate Degree in Public Relations and Advertising

The following locations will be included in the first-time accreditation review:

 Yaşar Bayboğan Campus Adana Mersin Karayoulu Üzeri Mersin, Turkey 33800 All necessary materials and instructions for the preparation of your self-study are available on the IACBE website. Please contact the IACBE headquarters office in order to determine a timeframe for the submission of your self-study and for your site visit.

Additionally, each candidate for accreditation must have at least one representative attend the IACBE Accreditation Institute within one year of beginning the self-study. This workshop can be conducted onsite at your institution as a two-day mentoring visit or your representative(s) may attend one of the workshops that are offered by the IACBE at various times and locations throughout the year. Contact the IACBE office if you believe you have already fulfilled this requirement.

Congratulations on taking this next step toward accreditation. Should you have any questions, or if I can be of assistance to you, please contact me through the IACBE headquarters office. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Laurie Yates, Chair Board of Commissioners

Cc: Prof. Dr. Unal Ay, President and CAO