



August 5, 2019

Dr. Gerry Shaw, Dean
School of Business
Dean College
99 Main Street
Franklin, MA 02038

Dear Dr. Shaw:

The IACBE Board of Commissioners met on July 17, 2019 to consider the application of the School of Business at Dean College for Candidacy 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 the following item(s) for you to address as you move forward with your Outcomes Assessment Plan:

Outcomes Assessment Plan

1. Consider making additional changes to better differentiate between the business and sports programs.
2. Data for student placement can be very difficult and time consuming to gather and track. The school may wish to look at another measure.

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 School of Business home page. You may use the following language on your website:

The School of Business at Dean College 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 [here](https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/DeanCollege.pdf). (linked to <https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/DeanCollege.pdf>).

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

The School of Business at Dean College 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
Bachelor of Science in Business Management
Bachelor of Science in Sport Management
Associate of Science in Business
Associate of Science in Sport Management

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

- Main Campus
99 Main Street
Franklin, MA 02038

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. Patrick Hafford, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Cc: Dr. Michael Fishbein, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Ms. Paula Kelly, Assistant Professor of Accounting