



International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education

January 20, 2015

Dr. C. Joy Jones, Dean  
College of Business  
Ohio Valley University  
1 Campus View Drive  
Vienna, WV 26105

Dear Dr. Jones:

The IACBE Board of Commissioners met on December 2-4, 2014 to reconsider the deferral of action on accreditation of the business programs offered by the College of Business at Ohio Valley University. The Board of Commissioners had previously deferred action on accreditation pending a required mentoring visit by an IACBE staff member, the submission of a revised outcomes assessment plan, a response to Principle 1.2: Summary Evaluation of Outcome Assessment, and compliance with Principle 7.6: External Accountability. These conditions have been met and I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners has granted accreditation to your business programs accompanied by the notes and observations identified below.

### **Notes**

Notes represent areas in which the institution is not in full compliance with the IACBE's Accreditation Principles. The College of Business is required to take action on the notes as specified by the IACBE Board of Commissioners, and until the issues identified in the notes have been satisfactorily addressed, the progress made in complying with the commissioners' requirements as stipulated in the notes must be reported each year in your annual report to the IACBE. Unless otherwise indicated herein, the institution has three years to address the issues identified in the notes.

### **Principle 1.1: Outcomes Assessment – Degree of Compliance: Substantially Compliant**

In its future annual reports to the IACBE, the College of Business must submit complete assessment results, including both learning assessment and operational assessment results, based on its revised outcomes assessment plan.

## Observations

Observations are suggestions for improvement by the IACBE Board of Commissioners that it believes would be helpful to the College of Business in achieving excellence in business education. Action on observations is highly recommended, but is not required.

### **Principle 1.1: Outcomes Assessment** – Degree of Compliance: Substantially Compliant

The Board of Commissioners recommends that the College of Business review the program-specific intended student learning outcomes to ensure that they adequately cover the relevant topic areas and are specific enough to provide results that support continuous quality improvement.

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Accreditation represents a continuing relationship between an institution and its accrediting organization. Specialized program accreditation by the IACBE is dependent upon your institution remaining (i) in good standing with your institutional accrediting body and (ii) in compliance with the IACBE's Accreditation Principles and policies as set forth in the *IACBE Bylaws, Accreditation Process Manual, and Self-Study Manual*. Your accreditation is valid for a maximum of six years, through December 2020.

The following notice pertaining to your accreditation status with the IACBE must be used in your official publications, including your institutional website:

*Ohio Valley University has received specialized accreditation for its business programs through the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE) located at 11374 Strang Line Road in Lenexa, Kansas, USA. The business programs in the following degrees are accredited by the IACBE:*

- *Bachelor of Science in Accounting*
  - *Bachelor of Science in Business Administration*
  - *Bachelor of Science in Information Technology*
  - *Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management*
  - *Bachelor of Science in Sports Management*
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Ohio Valley University will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation at the 2015 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting on April 14-17, 2015 in Baltimore, Maryland, USA. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage the business faculty at Ohio Valley University to be actively involved in the IACBE's professional development programs and activities, including participation in the IACBE's Annual Conference and Assembly Meetings, regional conferences, and workshops, and serving as site-visit team peer reviewers.

Should you have any questions or if I can be of assistance to you, please contact me through the IACBE's headquarters office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chip Mason". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "C" and "M".

Dr. Chip Mason, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

cc: Dr. Harold Shank, President  
Dr. Jim Bullock, Vice President for Academic Affairs