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Dr. James Loughran  
Professor of Leadership, Graduate College  
Dr. Eboni Mathis  
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Dear Drs. Loughran and Mathis:

The IACBE Board of Commissioners met on March 30-31, 2020 to consider the application of the Graduate College at Siena Heights University for Candidacy status. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your application and granted Candidacy status effective March 31, 2020 through March 30, 2025.

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 following language must be used on the Graduate College homepage, linking to your IACBE status page at <https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/SienaHeightsUniversity.pdf>.

*The Graduate College at Siena Heights 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 [here](#).”*  
(linked to IACBE status page)

Following is the approved language for other official written publications when referencing your IACBE accreditation status:

*The Graduate College at Siena Heights 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 are eligible for accreditation:*

Business Programs	
Master of Arts with concentrations in:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leadership: Healthcare Leadership</li> <li>• Leadership: Organizational Leadership</li> </ul>	
Master of Business Administration	
Master of Business Administration Healthcare	

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

Locations	
Main Campus and Online	1247 Siena Heights Dr., Adrian, MI 49221

All necessary materials and instructions for the preparation of your self-study are available on the IACBE website. Please contact the IACBE headquarters office to determine a timeframe for the submission of your self-study and for your site visit.

Additionally, you 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 at your expense, 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 specialized accreditation. If you have any questions or if we can be of assistance, please feel free to contact Dr. Phyllis Okrepkie at [pokrpkie@iacbe.org](mailto:pokrpkie@iacbe.org) or 913-631-3009. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Dr. Patrick Hafford, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

Cc: Sister Peg Albert, OP, PhD, President  
Dr. Sharon Webber, Vice President Academic Affairs