



July 31, 2018

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Dear Ms. Canning,

The IACBE Board of Commissioners met on July 10-11, 2018, to consider your request for the accreditation of the business programs offered by the Department of Business Management and School of Professional and Continuing Studies at Springfield College. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your request and granted accreditation to your business programs accompanied by the note and commendations identified below.

Notes

Notes represent areas in which the Department of Business Management and/or School of Professional and Continuing Studies are not in full compliance with the IACBE's Accreditation Principles. The college is required to act 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 to the IACBE. The item requested below must be submitted to the IACBE by October 1, 2018. The reporting form for note compliance can be found on our website at: www.iacbe.org/reports-note-compliance.asp.

Principle 1.1: Outcomes Assessment

1. Ensure that Master's-level ISLOs in the Department of Business Management are written at a higher level than Bachelor's-level ISLOs.
2. Ensure that PCS Form 7, Supervisor Evaluation, ties directly back to individual program ISLOs.

Commendations

Commendations are findings of the Board of Commissioners in those areas in which the board believes that the Department of Business Management and/or School of Professional and Continuing Studies are demonstrating excellent performance.

1. The Board of Commissioners commends Springfield College for its new, spacious library and student success center. In this period of budget constraints, the investment in the library and student success center is noteworthy.
2. Technology updates are a common concern among students and faculty, the Board of Commissioners commends the academic units for the availability of technology and its use by both faculty and students.
3. The Board of Commissioners commends the academic units on their innovative approach to integrate social media technology, in particular the use of Apple Education and iPad.

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. Your accreditation is valid for a maximum of seven years, through July 31, 2025.

All accredited members of the IACBE are required to submit an Interim Quality Assurance Report (IQAR) during their period of accreditation. The IQAR for the Department of Business Management and School of Professional and Continuing Studies will be due by November 1, 2022. For more information about the new reporting process, please contact IACBE headquarters.

The following link to your member status page which contains a listing of your accredited programs must be provided on the Department of Business Management and School of Professional and Continuing Studies home pages: <http://iacbe.org/memberpdf/SpringfieldCollege.pdf>

The Department of Business Management and School of Professional and Continuing Studies at Springfield College have received specialized accreditation for their business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11374 Strang Line Road in Lenexa, Kansas, USA. The business programs in the following degrees at the listed locations are accredited by the IACBE:

Business Program:	Business Unit:
Master's-Level Degree Programs	
Master of Business Administration	Department of Business Management
Master of Business Administration with a concentration in nonprofit management	School of Professional and Continuing Studies (PCS)

Bachelor's-Level Degree Programs	
Bachelor of Science with majors in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Accounting ○ Business Management ○ Finance ○ Health Care Management ○ Marketing 	Department of Business Management

The following locations have been approved to offer the business programs listed above:

- Main Campus – Springfield, Massachusetts, USA
- Boston, Massachusetts, USA
- Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA
- Tampa Bay, Florida, USA
- Wilmington, Delaware, USA

If the list of accredited programs is provided in other official publications, the preceding notice pertaining to your accreditation status with the IACBE must be used.

The Department of Business Management and School of Professional and Continuing Studies will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation at the 2019 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting on April 9-12 in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage the business faculty in the Department of Business Management and School of Professional and Continuing Studies 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,



Dr. Laurie Yates, Chair
Board of Commissioners