

July 19, 2016

Dr. Monty Bohrer Chair/Director of Graduate Business Programs Dakota Wesleyan University 1200 W. University Avenue Mitchell, SD 57030

Dear Dr. Bohrer:

The IACBE Board of Commissioners met on July 12-13, 2016 to consider your request for the accreditation of the business programs offered by the Department of Business at Dakota Wesleyan University. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your request and granted accreditation to your business programs accompanied by the note, observations, and commendations identified below.

Notes

Notes represent areas in which the Department of Business is not in full compliance with the IACBE's Accreditation Principles. The Department 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 to the IACBE. Unless otherwise indicated herein, the school has three years to address the issues identified in the notes. The annual reporting form for note compliance can be found on our website at: www.iacbe.org/reports-note-compliance.asp.

Principle 1.1: Outcomes Assessment

Please provide the following items by the date listed in each item:

- A copy of the new Senior Exit Survey by November 1, 2016
- Operational assessment results for your intended operational outcomes by September 1, 2016

• A complete set of assessment results from the implementation of your new outcomes assessment plan by November 1, 2017.

Observations

Observations are suggestions for further quality enhancements that the Board of Commissioners believes would be helpful to the Department of Business in achieving excellence in business education, but are not required for compliance with the IACBE's Accreditation Principles. Action on observations by the Department of Business is optional, and reporting is not required.

Principle 3.2: Common Professional Component

The Board of Commissioners encourages the Department of Business to continue its review of the Common Professional Component and to make any necessary changes to the curriculum.

Principle 3.4: Breadth and Depth of Curriculum

The Board of Commissioners encourages the Department of Business to continue its review of the Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurial Leadership and the Bachelor of Arts in Nonprofit Administration programs.

Principle 6.1: Financial Resources

The Board of Commissioners encourages the Department of Business to (i) continue to review the level of adjunct faculty pay in order to ensure the department's ability to hire and retain high-quality faculty and to (ii) pursue administrative support for the department.

Commendations

Commendations are findings of the Board of Commissioners in those areas in which the board believes that the Department of Business is demonstrating excellent performance.

- The Board of Commissioners commends Dakota Wesleyan University for its robust and integrated strategic planning and budgeting processes, which are materially informed by assessment data across the university and, in particular, from the Department of Business.
- The Board of Commissioners commends the university for utilizing broad-based strategies for capturing community (i.e., business, local government, and community-at-large) input to ensure relevance and currency of its curriculum.

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 2023.

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

Dakota Wesleyan University has received 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 at the listed locations are accredited by the IACBE:

	Business Program	Locations
•	Master of Business Administration in Strategic Leadership	Online
•	Bachelor of Arts in Sports Management with concentrations in: Finance Human Resource Management Individualized Marketing and Sports Information	DWU Main Campus
•	Bachelor of Arts in Nonprofit Administration	DWU Main Campus
•	Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership	Online
•	Bachelor of Science in Accounting	DWU Main Campus
•	Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurial Leadership with concentrations in: O Management O Marketing	DWU Main Campus
•	Bachelor of Science in Finance	DWU Main Campus
•	Bachelor of Science in Management	DWU Main Campus
•	Bachelor of Science in Marketing	DWU Main Campus
•	Associate of Science in Entrepreneurial Leadership	DWU Main Campus

Dakota Wesleyan University will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation at the 2017 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting on April 18-21, 2017 in San Francisco, California, USA. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage the business faculty at Dakota Wesleyan 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,

Dr. Michelle Reiss, Chair Board of Commissioners