

January 6, 2021

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

Dear Dr. Shaw:

At its December 2020 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered your request for the accreditation of the business programs offered by the School of Business at the Dean College. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your request and granted first-time specialized accreditation to the business program(s) as identified in the "Business Programs" table below, accompanied by the following note(s) and observation(s).

## Notes

Notes are an indicator that while the program is in compliance with the Principles, additional monitoring is warranted.

No notes were given by the Board of Commissioners. No response is required.

## **Observations**

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

No observations were made by the Board of Commissioners.

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 Approved Period of Accreditation is: December 17, 2020 – December 31, 2027

All programs receiving IACBE accreditation for the first-time must come into compliance with the requirement for public disclosure of student achievement, and the prescribed statement of accreditation. Details on meeting these annual requirements can be found in the Accreditation Process Manual available in the Member Resources section of our website.

In addition to these annual compliance reports, 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 School of Business will be due by November 1, 2023. For more information on these reports, please refer to the IACBE website under Accreditation > Compliance.

The following language must be used on the School of Business homepage, where "status page" is a hyperlink to your IACBE status page at https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/DeanCollege.pdf

The School of Business at the Dean College has received specialized accreditation for its business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11374 Strang Line Road in Lenexa, Kansas, USA. For a list of accredited programs refer to our IACBE member status page.

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

The School of Business at Dean College has received specialized accreditation for the following business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11374 Strang Line Road in Lenexa, Kansas, USA.

Business Programs	
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 are approved to offer the above listed business programs:

Locations	
Main Campus	99 Main Street, Franklin, MA 02038

The School of Business will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation at the 2021 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting held virtually on April 15, 2021. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage the business faculty in the School of Business 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.

If you have any questions or if we can be of assistance, please feel free to contact your liaison Ted Collins at tcollins@iacbe.org, or 913-631-3009.

Sincerely,

Dr. Patrick Hafford, Chair Board of Commissioners

cc: Paula Kelly, Assistant Professor of Accounting