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Ms. Wei Hang
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Dear Ms. Hang:

At its December 2022 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered the Candidate for Accreditation application of Dongguan City University. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your application and granted the status of Candidate for Accreditation effective 12/7/2022 through 12/31/2027.

Please note that candidacy status may not exceed five years. Under no circumstance is there any guarantee that the business programs in Candidacy status will be accredited. This determination is made by the IACBE Board of Commissioners after completion of all required steps toward First-Time accreditation of your business programs.

Following is the recommended timeline to remain on track for the next steps toward accreditation of your business programs and consideration at the December 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting:

Required Attendance at an Accreditation Institute: has been satisfied *if the institution proceeds through this timeline otherwise*, attendance at a more recent session will be required.

Self-Study year: 2022-23

Site Visit no later than: September 22, 2023

Draft Self-Study due: 120 days prior to start date of the site visit

Final Self-Study due: 60 days prior to start date of the site visit

Review by the board of Commissioners: December 2023 meeting

The Board of Commissioners identified the following areas that need to be addressed by the institution and evidenced in the Self-Study submission.

1. In the operational assessment component of the Outcomes Assessment Plan for the School of Digital Economics, remove assessment measure #2 as faculty teaching workload does not measure IOO#5, and this assessment measure is not needed as IOO#5 is clearly measured with the annual graduation rate calculation.

A Candidate for Accreditation is not allowed to claim or imply accreditation by the IACBE. If a Candidate for Accreditation is found to claim or imply accreditation, the matter will be referred to the Board of Commissioners for action. The following language must be used wherever statements regarding IACBE Membership is published, where “[status page](#)” is a hyperlink to your IACBE status page at <https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/DongguanCityUniversity.pdf>

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

Dongguan City University has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road in Overland Park, Kansas, USA. In granting candidacy status, the IACBE has determined that the institution may seek IACBE specialized accreditation of its eligible business programs. The IACBE grants accreditation for business and accounting programs only. Locations and delivery modes for program offerings are at the sole discretion of the Member.

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.

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 your IACBE liaison, Cecilia Livengood, at clivengood@iacbe.org, or 913-631-3009. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Scott Schroeder, Chair
Board of Commissioners