

International Accreditation Council for Business Education

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April 29, 2024

Dr. Patricia Thomas Associate Professor College of Business Framingham State University 100 State Street PO Box 9101 Framingham, MA 01701

Dear Dr. Thomas:

At its April 2024 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered your request for the accreditation of the business programs offered by the College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education at the Framingham State University. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your request and granted specialized accreditation to the business program(s) as identified in the "Business Programs" table below, accompanied by the following note(s) and observation(s).

<u>Notes</u>

Notes are an indicator that while the program is in compliance with the Principles, additional monitoring is warranted. The College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education is required to take action as specified below and respond to the IACBE *no later than June 29, 2024* (unless another due date is indicated within the Note). Responses must be submitted via the online platform available on our website: <u>www.iacbe.org/reports-note-compliance.asp</u>. All documents must be provided in English.

No Notes were identified by the Board of Commissioners.

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 identified by the Board of Commissioners.



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Additionally, upon completion of the review the Board of Commissioners voted to not require an onsite follow-up visit.

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: May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2031

In addition to the 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 College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education will be due by November 1, 2027. For more information on these reports, please refer to the IACBE website under Accreditation > Compliance.

The following language must be used on the College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education homepage, where "status page" is a hyperlink to your IACBE status page at https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/FraminghamStateUniversity.pdf

The College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education at the Framingham State University has received specialized accreditation for its business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road in Overland Park, Kansas, USA. For a list of accredited programs please view 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 College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education at Framingham State University has received specialized accreditation for the following business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road in Overland Park, Kansas, USA. 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.

Business Programs

Master of Business Administration with concentrations in:

- Management
- Biotechnology Operations

Bachelor of Science in Accounting



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Business Programs
Bachelor of Science in Business and Information Technology
Bachelor of Science in Finance with concentrations in:
Finance
Financial Planning
Bachelor of Science in Management with concentrations in:
Entrepreneurship
Management
Sport Management
Bachelor of Science in Marketing

The College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation for these programs at the 2025 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, on April 1-3, 2025. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage the business faculty in the College of Business and Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education 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 Laurie Yates at Lyates@iacbe.org, or 913-631-3009.

Sincerely,

Sharon Beaudry, Chair Board of Commissioners

c: Javier Cevallos, President Dr. Angela Salas, Provost & Vice President Academic Affairs