



August 16, 2022

Dr. Jean Beaupre
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Dear Dr. Beaupre:

At its July 2022 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered your request for the accreditation of the business programs offered by the School of Business at Nichols College. 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).

Notes

Notes are an indicator that while the program is in compliance with the Principles, additional monitoring is warranted. The School of Business is required to take action as specified below and respond to the IACBE by October 16, 2022 (unless another due date is indicated within the Note) using the IACBE Notes Report. Responses must be submitted via the online platform available on our website: www.iacbe.org/reports-note-compliance.asp.

No Notes were made 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.

Principle 2.1: Assessment Planning

1. Suggest continued work on reviewing and updating ISLOs to include ONE Bloom’s verb for each ISLO. This will help to further clarify the ISLO as well as the measurement. For example, the MSOL has an ISLO that states “ANALYZE leadership principles and theories while APPLYING critical thinking skills to creatively solve problems.” The result of this statement requires focus on two areas of assessment.

Additionally, upon completion of the review the Board of Commissioners voted to not require an on-site 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: August 1, 2022-July 31, 2029

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 School of Business will be due by November 1, 2025. 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 <http://iacbe.org/memberpdf/NicholsCollege.pdf>

The School of Business at Nichols College 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 School of Business at Nichols College 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
Master of Science in Accounting
Master of Science in Organizational Leadership
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with Specializations in: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accounting• Corporate Finance• Criminal Justice• Digital and Social Media Marketing• Economics• Finance• General Business

- Hospitality Management
- Human Resource Management
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing
- Marketing Analytics
- Sport Management

The School of Business will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation at the 2023 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting to be held April 11-14 in Orlando, Florida. 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 Laurie Yates at lyates@iacbe.org, or 913-631-3009.

Sincerely,



Scott Schroeder, Chair
Board of Commissioners

cc: Dr. Mauri Pelto, Associate Provost and Special Advisor to President Accreditation/Assessment