



August 19, 2021

Mandolen Mull, PhD  
Chair  
Economics, Business, and Accounting Department  
Rockford University  
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Dear Dr. Mull:

At its July 2021 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered the previous Deferral of Accreditation action on your request for the accreditation of the business programs offered by the EBA Department at the Rockford 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).

### **Notes**

Notes are an indicator that while the program is in compliance with the Principles, additional monitoring is warranted. The Economics, Business, and Accounting Department (EBA Department) is required to take action as specified below and respond to the IACBE by October 18, 2021 (unless another due date is indicated within the Note) using the IACBE Notes Report. The reporting form can be found on our website at: [www.iacbe.org/reports-note-compliance.asp](http://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.

*No observations were made by the Board of Commissioners.*

### **Continued Reporting Requirement**

In accordance with the Note given in the Board of Commissioners letter dated January 7, 2021, the requirement to submit an Interim Quality Assurance Report by November 1, 2022, remains in force.

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: January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2027**

In addition to the compliance reports due annually, 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 EBA Department will be due by November 1, 2024. Please note that the IQAR due November 1, 2024, is in addition to the IQAR due November 1, 2022. For more information on these reports, please refer to the IACBE website under Accreditation > Compliance.

The following language must be used on the EBA Department homepage, where “[status page](#)” is a hyperlink to your IACBE status page at <https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/RockfordUniversity.pdf>

*The EBA Department at the Rockford University has received specialized accreditation for its business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road, Overland Park, Kansas, USA. For a list of accredited programs 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 EBA Department at Rockford University has received specialized accreditation for the following business programs through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road, Overland Park, Kansas, USA. The IACBE grants accreditation for business and accounting programs only. Locations for program offerings are at the sole discretion of the Member.*

<b>Business Programs</b>
Master of Business Administration with concentrations in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Entrepreneurship</li><li>• Finance</li><li>• Health Administration</li><li>• Management</li><li>• MBA/Certified Public Accounting</li><li>• Marketing</li><li>• Project Management</li><li>• Public and Not-for-Profit Accounting</li><li>• Strategic Management</li></ul>
Bachelor of Arts with majors in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accounting with a CPA Track</li></ul>

## Business Programs

- Accounting with a Non-CPA Track
- Business Administration with a Finance Track
- Business Administration with a General Track
- Business Administration with a Management Track
- Business Administration with a Marketing Track
- Economics with a Finance Track
- Economics with a General Track
- Economics with an International Economics Track
- Economics with a Public Policy Track

Bachelor of Science with majors in:

- Accounting with a CPA Track
- Accounting with a Non-CPA Track
- Business Administration with a Finance Track
- Business Administration with a General Track
- Business Administration with a Management Track
- Business Administration with a Marketing Track
- Economics with a Finance Track
- Economics with a General Track
- Economics with an International Economics Track
- Economics with a Public Policy Track

The EBA Department will be publicly recognized for achieving accreditation at the 2022 IACBE Annual Conference and Assembly Meeting to be held April 4-8, 2022, in Costa Mesa, California. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We encourage the business faculty in the EBA Department 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 Cecilia Livengood at [clivengood@iacbe.org](mailto:clivengood@iacbe.org) or 913-631-3009.

Sincerely,



Scott Schroeder, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

c: Dr. Michael Perry, Provost