



August 19, 2021

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Dear Mr. Tipton:

At its July 2021 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered the application of the College of Business Administration at University of the Southwest for Candidacy status. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your application and granted Candidacy status effective July 21, 2021, through July 31, 2026.

Please note that candidacy status may not exceed five years. However, under extenuating circumstances and upon written petition, an extension may be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Under no circumstance is there any guarantee that the business programs of candidates for accreditation will be accredited. This determination is made by the IACBE Board of Commissioners after a self-study is prepared and a site visit is conducted.

The Board of Commissioners included the following item(s) for you to address in your Outcomes Assessment Plan:

1. Description of each category on rubric would be beneficial (i.e., describe what “meets expectations” looks like).
2. Ensure assessment measures include components/questions that directly evaluate the ISLO or IOO it is intended to measure.
3. Consider whether current measure is the best possible measure for IOO #1.
4. Reword IOO #3 to make it more direct.
5. Ensure evaluations of student achievement of each ISLO is conducted by the instructor or industry subject matter expert

Additional items identified by the Commissioners for consideration:

1. Be prepared to provide complete instructions for assignments to be assessed during self-study.
2. Ensure each faculty member is appropriately qualified to teach each of the subject areas to which they are assigned

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

The College of Business Administration at University of the Southwest has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road, Overland Park, Kansas, USA. For a listing of the degrees eligible for accreditation, please view our IACBE member [status page](#).

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

The College of Business Administration at University of the Southwest has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road, Overland Park, Kansas, USA. In granting candidacy status, the IACBE has determined that the business programs in the following degrees are eligible for accreditation. The IACBE grants accreditation for business and accounting programs only. Locations for program offerings are at the sole discretion of the Member.

Business Program
Bachelor of Business Administration – Accounting
Bachelor of Business Administration – E-Commerce
Bachelor of Business Administration – Economics
Bachelor of Business Administration – Energy Management
Bachelor of Business Administration – Finance
Bachelor of Business Administration – Global Business Management
Bachelor of Business Administration – Healthcare Management
Bachelor of Business Administration – Hospitality Management
Bachelor of Business Administration - Management
Bachelor of Business Administration – Marketing
Bachelor of Business Administration – Non-profit Management
Bachelor of Business Administration – Sport Management
Master of Business Administration with specializations in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounting • Data Analytics and Business • Finance • Healthcare Administration • Human Resource Management • International Business • Law Enforcement and Corrections • Marketing

Business Program
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Management • Public Administration • Self-Design • Sport Management and Recreation • Strategic Management
Doctor of Business Administration
Doctor of Business Administration with specializations in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Analytics • Strategy and Innovation • Leadership and Organizational Development • Healthcare Administration • Self-Design

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.

Additionally, you must have at least one representative attend the IACBE Accreditation Institute within one year of beginning the self-study. This workshop can be conducted onsite at your institution as a two-day mentoring visit at your expense, or your representative(s) may attend one of the workshops that are offered by the IACBE at various times and locations throughout the year. Contact the IACBE office if you believe you have already fulfilled this requirement.

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 liaison Phyllis Okrepkie at pokrepkie@iacbe.org or 913-631-3009. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Scott Schroeder, Chair
Board of Commissioners