

May 2, 2022

Dr. Amy Carey President Friends University Wichita, KS 67213 United States

Dear President Carey:

The Baccalaureate/Graduate Degree Board of Commissioners met on April 20-21, 2022 and approved the business program accreditation for Friends University. Congratulations!

Friends University is fully accredited with a note.

Place a Note on Criterion 5.2: an opportunity exists to improve the percentage of qualified faculty acknowledging the discrepancy between the actual percentage of faculty qualifications with the recommended historical averages. It is hopeful that the current hiring process will facilitate Friends improvement in qualified faculties.

Opportunities for improvement can be viewed in the feedback report at the portal.

Conditions and notes indicate that either the Standard or Criteria is not fully met and should be viewed as an opportunity to move your program to a higher level of excellence. It would be extremely rare that a school receive accreditation without these conditions or notes given ACBSP's Core Value of Continuous Improvement and Organizational Learning, that "Business schools and programs should pursue regular cycles of planning, execution, and evaluation of every process and system. Ongoing improvement of these processes and systems leads to ever higher quality and student/stakeholder satisfaction."

Progress on any Notes or Conditions must be reported in future reports. You are encouraged to work with Dr. David Dyson on the removal of the Notes. Dr. Dyson may be contacted by phone at 918-495-7026, or by e-mail at <u>ddyson@oru.edu</u>. You may also contact Diana Hallerud at 913-339-9356, or by e-mail at <u>dianahallerud@acbsp.org</u>.

You must provide a report on the Note in the online reporting portal on **2/15/2024**. Your first <u>full</u> Quality Assurance Report will be due on **2/15/2026**. Your ten-year reaffirmation will be due in **2032**.

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ACBSP will inform the public of decisions on accreditation status made by the Boards of Commissioners by posting the accreditation decisions on the ACBSP Website. The decisions on accreditation status can be accessed from www.acbsp.org/?page=decisions:

ACBSP encourages you to publicly announce that your business programs are accredited. In the next few weeks, we will be sending you, via e-mail, a sample ACBSP Press Release and ACBSP Logo files for publicizing your accreditation. As you prepare these materials, the following is your official ACBSP statement:

The following business programs at Friends University are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs:

B.S. in Accounting **B.S.** in Business Administration B.S. in Computer Science and Information Systems **B.S.** in Finance **B.S. in International Business B.S.** in Marketing Master of Business Administration (MBA) Global Master of Business Administration (GMBA) Master of Health Care Leadership (MHCL) Master of Management Information Systems (MMIS) Minor in Accounting (undergraduate) Minor in Business Administration (undergraduate) Minor in Computer Science and Information Systems (undergraduate) Minor in Economics (undergraduate) Minor in Entrepreneurship (undergraduate) Minor in Finance (undergraduate) Minor in Health Care Management (undergraduate) Minor in Human Resource Management (undergraduate) Minor in Leadership (undergraduate) Minor in Management (undergraduate) Minor in Marketing (undergraduate) Minor in Operations Management (undergraduate) Minor in Spanish for International Business (undergraduate) Concentration in Accounting (graduate) Concentration in Change Management (graduate) Concentration in Finance (graduate) Concentration in Human Resources (graduate) Concentration in Project Management (graduate) Concentration in Sports Administration (graduate) Concentration in Supply Chain and Logistics (graduate)

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Please take this opportunity to review the accuracy of the programs listed above as well as the institution name (below) as it will appear on your Certificate of Accreditation. If any information is not correct, please notify Ms. Cari Hunziker via e-mail at <u>chunziker@acbsp.org</u> and <u>provide the correction by May 20, 2022</u>.

Name of institution as it will appear on the certificate:

Friends University Wichita, KS

The 2022 ACBSP Conference will be held in Washington, D.C., June 17-20.

<u>Please mark your calendar to join us</u>, where we will honor you and all other schools receiving initial or reaffirmation of accreditation during the 2021-2022 membership year. You are encouraged to attend along with your Chief Academic Officer and Dean or Head of the Business School or Program. Many institutions invite faculty to this prestigious celebration. Your institution will also be announced during the Baccalaureate/Graduate Degree Institution annual meeting held at the conference.

In May 2022, you will receive an email with information regarding accreditation recognition activities at the conference.

For updates on the Conference, visit the ACBSP website, www.acbsp.org.

Congratulations on maintaining such high-quality business programs.

Sincerely,

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Steve Parscale, Ph.D. Chief Accreditation Officer

Cc: Jim Long, Professor of Finance and Division Chair Ken Stoltzfus, Vice President David Dyson, Baccalaureate/Graduate Degree Board of Commissioners