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Dean
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Dear Dr. Fleener,

This letter is to inform you that your "Application for Candidacy Status" has been approved. During the next phase of the accreditation process, a mentor will be assigned to assist you in the accreditation process.

The [Accreditation Process Book](#) booklet, and the [Unified Standards and Criteria for Business Degree Programs](#) booklet can be found on the ACBSP website. These booklets outline the "Candidacy Approach" and provide information about the accreditation process.

Your next step will be to complete the Preliminary Visit Questionnaire. As of January 1, 2015, we are requiring that all reports be submitted electronically using the ACBSP online reporting system. In a separate email, you will be receiving a message with log-in information from acbsp@support.campuslabs.com instructing you how to access the reporting system. You will want to set up a new password right away, one that will be easy to remember. (You can copy and paste the one they send you for the initial log-in.)

To assist you in this endeavor, we provide recorded training webinars, and other tutorials which can be found on our website at [ACBSP Web Reporting](#). Once you have completed the Preliminary Visit Questionnaire, a visit by the mentor to your institution will be scheduled to review the document.

The objectives of the site visit by the mentor are to identify any "opportunities for improvement" that may exist in meeting the standards and to assist in creating an action plan to meet ACBSP standards. Also, the overall readiness of your business unit to proceed with the self-study will be discussed. Your certificate of candidacy will be presented to you during the 2021 ACBSP Annual Conference, which will be held in **Miami, Florida, June 25-28, 2021**. We hope you will be able to join us.

Please feel free to call me or Diana Hallerud, Director of Training/Associate Director of Accreditation at 913-339-9356 or Dr. Melanie Hicks, Baccalaureate/Graduate Degree Board of Commissioners, at 434-592-3723 or mhicks@liberty.edu, if you have any questions with regard to the accreditation process. I look forward to working with you on this very significant endeavor.

Sincerely yours,

Steve Parscale, Ph.D.
Chief Accreditation Officer

C: Dr. Michelle Bradford, MBA Program Director
Dr. Melanie Hicks, Baccalaureate/Graduate Degree Board of Commissioners