

CSUCI Martin V. Smith School of Business & Economics receives national accreditation

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ACBSP is a leading specialized accreditation association for business education supporting, celebrating, and rewarding teaching excellence. Accreditation status reaffirms the university's commitment to high quality faculty, challenging academic expectations and student outcomes. Based on the criteria of the National Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award, ACBSP accreditation evaluates aspects of the institutional leadership, strategic planning processes, relationships with the community, quality of academic programs, faculty credentials and services, and educational support to determine whether or not the institution offers a rigorous educational experience and demonstrates continuous quality improvement. Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) in 2001 and again in 2011, ACBSP was the first accrediting body to offer specialized business accreditation at all degree levels. ACBSP currently accredits business programs at more than 1,200 campuses in 60 countries.

"California State University Channel Islands has shown their commitment to teaching excellence and to the process of quality improvement by participating in the accreditation process," said ACBSP Chief Accreditation Officer Dr. Steve Parscale, who will present the Certificate of Accreditation to the university at ACBSP Conference 2017 in Anaheim, California, on June 26. "This accreditation is evidence that CSU Channel Islands is committed to providing the highest quality business education for their students."

Dr. William Cordeiro, Dean of CSUCI's Smith School summed it up this way: "This respected and significant accreditation is validation of CSUCI's outstanding business faculty, leadership, student support staff, and academic quality. ACBSP accreditation offers CSUCI business programs immediate recognition in the professional business community."