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Dr. Michael Amiridis  
President  
University of South Carolina - Columbia  
206 Osborne Administration Building  
Columbia, SC 29208

Dear Dr. Amiridis:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

**Dual Academic Award**

**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Business Administration**

Submission date:

**3/9/2022**

Intended Implementation date:

**8/1/2022**

Case ID:

**SC017755**

The University of South Carolina – Columbia plans to implement a dual academic award agreement between the Darla Moore School of Business and the Universidad Adolfo Ibanez Business School in Santiago, Chile, to offer the Ph.D. in Business Administration and the Ph.D. in Business Administration.

The awards offered will be graduate degrees. The agreement maintains compliance with SACSCOC Standard 9.5 to ensure that one-third of the credit hours earned through instruction is offered by the institution awarding the degree. The research will be collaboratively supervised between the two institutions, and it will be expected that dissertation committees will consist of faculty from both institutions. When students have completed the requirements for each program, they will be awarded the Ph.D. in Business Administration from the University of South Carolina – Columbia and the Ph.D. in Business Administration from Universidad Adolfo Ibanez Business School.

A copy of the signed agreement was provided. Contact persons for each institution are:

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**Harald Beyer**  
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**We accept notification of the dual academic award agreement between the institution and Universidad Adolfo Ibanez to offer the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Business Administration and the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Business Administration.**

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover at (404) 994-6557 or via email at [lthomas-glover@sacscoc.org](mailto:lthomas-glover@sacscoc.org).

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin W. Sightler" with a small "lp" monogram at the end.

Kevin W. Sightler, Ph.D.  
Director of Substantive Change

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cc: Mr. Donald Miles, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Accreditation, University of South Carolina - Columbia  
Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover, Vice President, SACSCOC