



## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR BUSINESS STUDENTS

# OUR COMMITMENT TO ASSURANCE OF LEARNING

As a college, we care about the quality of the undergraduate business education we are providing you. We care because

- We want to make sure you have the knowledge and skills you need to succeed and which your current and future employers will value.
- We want to enhance our reputation as the business school of choice among urban, public business schools and continue to be acknowledged as one that meets the highest of quality standards.
- We want to exceed the standards and processes for excellence required by the bodies that accredit our school: the AACSB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business; the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), and the State of Florida, particularly its mandated Academic Learning Compacts.

To make sure we are delivering on these promises, we have committed to an Assurance of Learning initiative that will require you to demonstrate, before you graduate, that you have, indeed, acquired the expertise and skills we have identified as “learning objectives” and “learning outcomes”—for your cumulative undergraduate business student experience and for your degree program and major. These objectives and outcomes, which cover such areas as critical thinking and communication skills as well as business content/discipline knowledge, also will enable our faculty to improve the quality of their instruction.

To view the learning objective requirements for the college’s degree programs, you should visit <http://business.fiu.edu>. To examine the Academic Learning Compact for each degree program in the college, visit <http://www.fiu.edu/~opie/academiclearningcompacts.htm>. Please take the time to become familiar with these requirements.

You will be assessed on the extent to which you have met these requirements throughout your study with us, but especially during your final semester in the college. Some of this assessment will take place in your courses—like answering embedded questions in course-scheduled exams, creating a learning portfolio, enrolling in a capstone course, or taking a specialized exam. The college, department, or course instructor will notify you in advance of testing procedures that will be used to assess your learning. In addition, you will be notified by the college or on your individual course syllabi if and how the results of these assessments will affect your grade in a course. However, your eligibility to graduate will not be affected.

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