

CalUMS awarded as 2010 Honor Roll Institution by ACICS



As if the vote of confidence stamped by the maximum term of renewed accreditation was not enough, the California University of Management and Sciences (CalUMS) is further privileged to have received this much-coveted award for “*demonstration of exemplary standards and a clear understanding of the ACICS Accreditation Criteria during the recent evaluation for a new grant of accreditation.*”

In his letter dated May 12, 2010, ACICS Executive Director Albert C. Gray congratulated CalUMS President Jason Shin as the Council has recognized this achievement by designating CalUMS as an Honor Roll Institution. The awarding ceremony was held on June 9, 2010 at the Palazzo Resort Hotel Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada. CalUMS Director of Administration Jeffrey Beasca received the award for and in behalf of the CalUMS president.



CalUMS initial accreditation was granted by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS) in April 2006. Since then, the school has persevered in keeping with the accreditation standards living up to its mission – “*to provide high quality and affordable education to serve the intellectual and professional needs of individuals and organizations.*” Work teams were formed as committees were assigned to ensure that the ACICS standards are observed and closely monitored. The Institutional Effectiveness Plan (IEP) and the Self Study served as anchors in implementing and evaluating the entire school operations. Ultimately all members in the organization played vital roles in this massive undertaking; from the Board of Trustees, and school administrators down the line through the program advisory committee members, faculty members, community leaders, student body association officers, alumni and students.

The ACICS site visit was conducted in October 28, 29, and 30, 2009 as the close of the 3-year initial grant drew near. A group of business, healthcare, language, and student service specialists from various U.S. colleges and universities composed the evaluation team. Verification and interviews were done among administrators, faculty, employers, graduates, and current students as well.

On December 8, 2009, ACICS has acted to award CalUMS a new grant of accreditation to offer programs through the master’s degree level through December 31, 2017. This meant an eight-year grant of accreditation which is a worthy acknowledgement of the school’s quality at the time of the evaluation. ACICS also recognized the responsibility of such accomplishment and encouraged CalUMS to continue to assure and enhance the quality of the school’s administrative processes and educational programs.

ACICS is listed as a nationally recognized accrediting agency by the United States Department of Education and is recognized by the Council for Higher Education (CHEA).