



December 18, 2024

Dr. Michael Amiridis
President
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Dear Dr. Amiridis:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Dual Academic Award

Master of International Business and a Master of Science in Financial Markets & Sustainable Investments; Master of Science in Responsible Procurement and Supply Chain Management; Master of Science in Data Science for Marketing, Business Strategy and Consulting; Master of Science in Food and Agribusiness Management; Master of Science in Sustainable Luxury; or Master of Science in Cultural and Arts Management; and a Master In Management

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University of South Carolina – Columbia (USC Columbia) has entered into an agreement to offer a dual academic award with the Audencia Business School, Nantes, France, to allow students to earn a Master of International Business from USC Columbia and a Master of Science in Financial Markets & Sustainable Investments; Master of Science in Responsible Procurement and Supply Chain Management; Master of Science in Data Science for Marketing, Business Strategy and Consulting; Master of Science in Food and Agribusiness Management; Master of Science in Sustainable Luxury; or Master of Science in Cultural and Arts Management; and a Master In Management from Audencia Business School.

A copy of the signed Cooperation Agreement was provided that included the required disclaimer statement and the terms, scope, and responsibilities of each institution. Eligibility criteria to participate in the program and the number of students allowed to participate each year were described. Both institutions agree to provide the necessary means, resources, and prerequisites to implement and operate the program. Each institution will provide a program coordinator to manage the program. Each participating student is subject to the tuition/fees published annually by USC Columbia and Audencia Business School.



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Courses taken at the Audencia Business School may be applied to the Master of International Business degree as transfer credit. As affirmed, the academic awards granted by USC Columbia comply with Standard 9.5.

The following contact information for the principal party at each institution was provided:

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The institution is reminded that, if additional programs are added to the dual degree agreement, it must provide an updated agreement with appropriate notification. The institution is obligated to notify SACSCOC and provide an agreement for each additional dual degree program, even if the institution has already notified SACSCOC about an earlier agreement with the same institution/entity.

We accept notification of the dual academic award agreement between the institution and Audencia Business School to offer the Master of International Business and a Master of Science in Financial Markets & Sustainable Investments; Master of Science in Responsible Procurement and Supply Chain Management; Master of Science in Data Science for Marketing, Business Strategy and Consulting; Master of Science in Food and Agribusiness Management; Master of Science in Sustainable Luxury; or Master of Science in Cultural and Arts Management; and a Master In Management.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Kelli V. Randall at 404-994-6545 or via email at krandall@sacscoc.org.



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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin W. Sightler", written over a horizontal line.

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

KWS:LCS/mdm

cc: Mr. Donald Miles, Executive Director Institutional Research, Assessment, and Analytics,
University of South Carolina - Columbia
Dr. Kelli V. Randall, Vice President, SACSCOC