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ORANGE, Calif., Dec. 18, 2008 -- Chapman University's George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics has achieved reaffirmation of accreditation of its bachelor's and master's degree programs in business administration by recent action of the Board of Directors of AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The official announcement was made December 18, 2008 in Tampa, Florida.

([Visit the AACSB website](#) for information on the global distribution of accredited programs.)

To achieve accreditation, business programs must satisfy the expectations of a wide range of quality standards relating to strategic management of resources, interactions of faculty and students in the educational process, and achievement of learning goals in degree programs. These standards are mission-linked. During the accreditation process, The George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics was visited and evaluated by business school deans with detailed knowledge of management education, applying accreditation standards that are widely accepted in the educational community.

Arthur Kraft, dean of the George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics was pleased. "This was a collaborative effort with widespread stakeholder involvement," he said. "The School received external validation that it is executing its strategic plan at the highest level in terms of accomplishing the desired results consistent with its mission. A significant milestone has been achieved that allows the School to meet future challenges and take advantage of opportunities as it moves forward."

About the George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics

The AACSB-accredited George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics gives students access to an integrated business education taught by faculty deeply committed to student learning. It offers undergraduate degrees in accounting, business administration and economics, as well as MBA and Executive MBA programs. The school is home to several renowned research centers, including the Leatherby Center for Entrepreneurship and Business Ethics, the A. Gary Anderson Center for Economic Research and the Walter Schmid Center for International Business and the Hobbs Institute for Real Estate, Law and Environmental Studies.

About Chapman University

Chapman University, founded in 1861, is one of the oldest, most prestigious private universities in California. Chapman's picturesque campus is located in the heart of Orange County – one of

the nation's most exciting centers of arts, business and technology – and draws outstanding students from across the United States and around the world. Known for its blend of liberal arts and professional programs, Chapman University encompasses seven schools and colleges: the Wilkinson College of Humanities and Social Sciences, the George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics, the Lawrence and Kristina Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, the College of Science, the College of Performing Arts, the School of Law and the College of Educational Studies. Named to the list of top universities in the nation by U.S. News & World Report and the Princeton Review, Chapman University enrolls more than 6,000 undergraduate, graduate and law students.

About AACSB International

AACSB International is an association of more than 1,100 educational institutions, businesses and other organizations in 70 countries that are dedicated to the advancement of business education worldwide. AACSB International is the longest serving and largest global accrediting body for business schools that offer undergraduate, masters, and doctoral degrees in business and accounting. The association also is the business education community's professional development organization, conducting a wide array of conference and seminar programs at various locations around the world. Information: www.aacsb.edu.