Dear Dr. Jacqueylyn MacDonald,

On behalf of the Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) Accreditation Board, I am pleased to inform you that the Board has granted initial, **provisional accreditation through December 31, 2024**, to the M.S. in Applied Behavior Analysis on-campus program at Regis College.

The accreditation process is specifically designed to convey information about a training program’s comprehensiveness, rigor, quality, and transparency. Its purpose is to promote quality control and continuous improvement. The Board extends its sincere appreciation to you and your colleagues for your success in helping to preserve the integrity of training in behavior analysis.

In accordance with the Accreditation Handbook, the Board, in its discretion, may grant provisional accreditation to initial applicants for periods of three years. Clear criteria are specified for subsequent review, on a given schedule, for the purpose of recommending full accreditation at the end of the provisional period.

The Board raised question about the program’s overall faculty resources (Standard 6) given the increase in admitted students over recent years and the level of supervision the program provides. The Board acknowledges that the program also operates a separate, online master’s program, and that the program is hiring a third, full-time faculty member. To ensure the program is well-resourced to sustain its continued growth the Board recommends attention to the following items, specific improvements noted, upon the end of the three-year provisional accreditation:

1. An increase in faculty resources by adding another full-time, core faculty member to the program.
2. Continued increase in scholarly activities for the thesis projects based on the recently issued guidance from the Board (attached).
3. Careful attention to the Outcomes Assessment (Standard 3) over time, specifically monitoring the increased number of accepted students, enrollment, time to degree completion, degree conferral.

The site visitors recommended the program increase the frequency of feedback from practicum sites given the numerous sites and opportunities. The Board appreciates the
The Board looks forward to the continued growth and success of your program.

During this grant of provisional accreditation, the program is required to pay an annual sustaining fee as described in Title VII Section 7-1-104 of the Accreditation Handbook, and to remain in compliance with the Board’s policies and procedures. I would like to call special attention to three important policies related to public disclosure. Your program is required to:

1. share the program’s accreditation status and display the Board’s masters-level accreditation seal on the program’s web site. (See the Board’s Policy on Public Disclosure of Accreditation Status.) I will email you a copy of the current version of the seal. Please also ensure that the program clearly communicates its accreditation scope is for the on-campus program.

2. display on your website a prominent link to the aggregate report of the program’s student outcomes that is posted on the Board’s website (when available in 2023). The link to your program-specific page, which will eventually include a published aggregate report is: https://accreditation.abainternational.org/apply/accredited-programs/regis-college.aspx (See Title IX, Chapter 3 of the Accreditation Handbook.)

3. submit an annual report as described in Title VII of the Accreditation Handbook, using ABAI’s electronic form (a link will be sent to you prior to the submission deadline). The questions and requirements are available at https://accreditation.abainternational.org/media/116272/abai_accreditation_board_accredited_program_annual_report_form_2021.pdf.

The aforementioned policies can be found via the “Documents” tab at https://accreditation.abainternational.org.) As program administrator, you should familiarize yourself with the materials in this section of the Board’s website.

I will send you an invoice for the sustaining fee to be paid during the first quarter of each year, and I will send you a reminder about the annual report which normally is due on April 1 of each year.

If your program assigns a new Program Administrator during the current grant of accreditation, please notify me immediately so I can update our records.
If you choose to apply for reaccreditation, you must submit a new self-study before April 1, 2024, using ABAI’s online application system and corresponding materials available via the “Documents” tab at https://accreditation.abainternational.org.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jenna Mrljak, Ph.D., BCBA
Director of Education
Association for Behavior Analysis International
ABAIaccreditation@ABAInternational.org

cc: Michael Perone, Ph.D., ABAI Accreditation Board Coordinator