



November 15, 2013

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President  
 Commission on Colleges  
 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools  
 1866 Southern Lane  
 Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

I am writing to notify you that The University of Texas at Arlington (UT Arlington) has consolidated several doctoral programs in various areas of business into one PhD in Business Administration, with separate concentrations. This change is an administrative one, and will have very little effect on students in the program. Therefore, no Teach-Out Plan is included.

Degree Title	Program Name	CIP Code	Closure Date
PhD	Business Administration – Management	52.0201.00	August 31, 2013
PhD	Business Administration – Management Science	52.0201.00	August 31, 2013
PhD	Business Administration – Accounting	52.0301.00	August 31, 2013
PhD	Business Administration – Finance	52.0803.00	August 31, 2013
PhD	Business Administration – Information Systems	52.1201.00	August 31, 2013
PhD	Business Administration – Marketing	52.1401.00	August 31, 2013

Prior to July, 1999, only one PhD in Business Administration was awarded, with a choice of several concentrations. Because of this history, the programs remained closely aligned after they became separate degrees. With the consolidation, there will continue to be one overall PhD Director as well as a director in each area. Diplomas will continue to read, "PhD in Business Administration," so the merging of the programs will be transparent to students. Students will experience no changes in course requirements, faculty mentors, or advising.

Please let me know if the Commission requires additional information.

Sincerely,

Vistasp M. Karbhari  
 President

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- Ronald L. Elsenbaumer
- Rachel Croson
- Raymond L. Jackson
- Pam Haws