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July 11, 2012

Mr. James D. Spaniolo
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Dear Mr. Spaniolo:

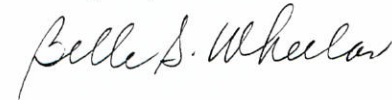
Thank you for your letter of February 21, 2012, and the prospectus for the 15 semester credit hour graduate certificate program in School Counseling. The program will consist of four on-campus courses and a six semester hour capstone course comprised of a 160 clock-hour internship and a 20 clock-hour seminar. The program will begin fall term 2012. The target audience will be classroom teachers or other educators who already hold a master's degree in an education-related field and who have a minimum of two years of successful k-12 teaching experience.

Each of the first four courses will include a field component where students will spend time in schools applying course content. Students will take two courses per semester for two semesters, and then enroll in the capstone course/internship during the third semester. The prospectus places the implementation of the program within the university's mission, as well as describing the assessment of need and program planning/approval for the program. Appropriate library/physical/financial resources and assessment of student learning and program evaluation are described.

We approve the Certificate program in School Counseling and request no additional information from you.

Enclosed is an invoice for \$300 to help defray the cost of prospectus review.

Best regards,



Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

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Enclosure

cc: Dr. Pam Haws, Associate Vice President and Director of Institutional Research, Planning, and Effectiveness
Dr. Steven M. Sheeley

