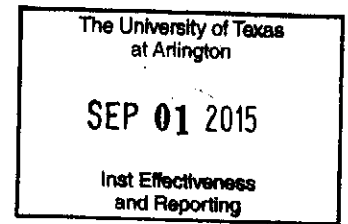




August 24, 2015



Dr. Vistasp M. Karbhari  
President  
The University of Texas at Arlington  
Box 19125  
Arlington, TX 76019-0125

Dear Dr. Karbhari:

Thank you for your letter of April 28, 2015, providing notification that the University implemented an off-campus site in fall 2014 without prior approval and your letter of July 7, 2015, provided a modified prospectus for approval of the site.

The location of the site is as follows:

Xi'an Jiaotong University  
No. 28 at Xianning West Road  
Xi'an city, Shaanxi Province, China

The University offers the Executive Master in Business Administration (E.M.B.A.) degree program at the site which is the sixth off-campus site where the degree program is offered. The program is 15 to 24 months in duration and is a cohort based design, fixed curriculum. The curriculum, method of delivery, teaching methodology, calendar, library services, onsite support, and student support services are consistent with those of programs offered at approved sites in China.

Physical facilities appear adequate at the site. E.M.B.A classes will be offered in a classroom equipped with computers and a projector for lectures and other high-tech features. The classroom also has power sockets for students to connect their own laptops in the classroom. Break out rooms are available as well for group activities.

The University of Texas (UT) at Arlington staff members respond to all academic questions from the students either directly or through the local coordinator. As with other approved Chinese E.M.B.A sites, the University provides bilingual tutors at the site. An orientation session is provided before classes start regarding the two universities' policies and procedures. All students enrolled in the program are employed and career service support is available through organized alumni networking events for those who seek to change careers. The program follows local laws and regulations regarding disability services as well as UT at Arlington guidelines for ADA and anyone with disabilities is accommodated.

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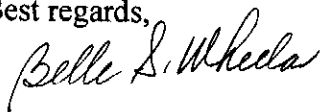
Course descriptions were provided. The faculty roster documented appropriate qualifications of faculty members to teach assigned courses at the site.

**The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges reviewed the materials seeking approval of the Xi'an Jiaotong University off-campus site in Xi'an, China. It was the decision of the Board to approve the site and include it in the scope of the current accreditation.** The site will be reviewed again, which may include a site visit, as part of the institution's fifth-year or decennial review.

Because a degree program has been offered at an off-campus site since fall 2014 without approval, the College is in apparent non-compliance with Comprehensive Standard 3.12.1. **Please submit to my office by September 15, 2015, four copies of the policy and procedure document the institution has developed to ensure timely reporting of substantive change in the future. Please submit the four copies under a separate cover letter. Do not include them with other substantive change submissions.** The document will be forwarded to the SACSCOC Board of Trustees for review at its December 2015 meeting. In developing the documents, please consult *Best Practices for Developing Policy and Procedures Documents*, published on our website, [www.sacscoc.org](http://www.sacscoc.org), under the Policies and Publications button.

Enclosed is an invoice for \$500 to help defray the cost of reviewing the prospectus.

Best regards,



Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.  
President

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Enclosure

Cc: Dr. Loraine Phillips, Assistant Vice Provost for Institutional Effectiveness and Reporting  
Dr. Steven M. Sheeley