

December 7, 2016

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

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

Please accept this letter as notification of intent to phase out the current program, the Master of Arts in Psychology effective May 2017. The Master of Arts in Psychology degree program is a program within the Department of Psychology, Counseling and Special Education within the College of Education and Human Services.

After discussions with faculty in the department, consultation with the dean of the college, and with the Provost's approval, this program is now being submitted to the Commission as a request for closing. Students have not enrolled in this program for several semesters, instead choosing to enroll in the Master of Science in Psychology program since it is available and more applicable to their interests. A Teach-Out Plan is attached per instructions in SACSCOC's Substantive Change Policy.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and please contact Dr. Shonda Gibson at 903-886-5743 or Shonda.gibson@tamuc.edu should you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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