July 2, 2014

Dr. Rex Peebles
Assistant Commissioner
Workforce, Academic Affairs and Research
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
1200 East Anderson Lane
Interagency Mail

Dear Dr. Peebles:

The University of Texas at Austin proposes to establish a Bachelor of Arts in Health and Society degree. The proposed degree will be housed in the College of Liberal Arts, in partnership with the College of Education, College of Natural Sciences, College of Communication, School of Social Work, LBJ School of Public Affairs, and School of Undergraduate Studies.

I have approved this request under authority delegated by the Board of Regents. A copy of the certification signed on behalf of The University of Texas System Board of Regents is enclosed. By copy of this letter, I am notifying the Counsel and Secretary to the Board of our approval.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Pedro Reyes
Executive Vice Chancellor
And Ashbel Smith Professor of
Education Policy

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Attachments

President William Powers
Dr. Greg Fenves
General Counsel to the Board of Regents Francie A. Frederick
Certification Form for New Bachelor’s and Master’s Programs
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Directions: An institution shall use this form to request a new bachelor’s or master’s degree program that meets all criteria for automatic approval in Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.44: (a) The program has institutional and governing board approval; (b) the program complies with the Standards for Bachelor’s and Master’s Programs; (c) adequate funds are available to cover the costs of the new program; (d) new costs during the first five years of the program will not exceed $2 million; (e) the program is a non-engineering program (i.e., not classified under CIP code 14); and (f) the program will be offered by a university or health-related institution.

If a new bachelor’s or master’s program does not meet the criteria above, an institution must submit a request using the Form for Requesting a New Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree Program.

Information: Contact the Division of Academic Affairs and Research at 512/427-6200 for more information.

Administrative Information

1. Institution: The University of Texas at Austin

2. Program Name: Show how the program would appear on the Coordinating Board’s program inventory (e.g., Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a major in Accounting; Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies with 4-8 ESL Generalist Certification).
   Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Health and Society

3. Proposed CIP Code: 51.2212

4. Number of Required Semester Credit Hours (SCHs) (If the number of SCHs exceeds 120 for a bachelor’s program, the institution must request a waiver documenting the compelling academic reason for requiring more SCHs.): 120

5. Administrative Unit: Identify where the program would fit within the organizational structure of the university (e.g., The Department of Electrical Engineering within the College of Engineering).
   College of Liberal Arts

6. Delivery Mode: Identify how and where the program would be delivered, e.g. on-campus face-to-face, online, off-campus, interactive videoconferencing, hybrid, etc.
   On campus face-to-face

7. Implementation Date: Report the first semester and year that students would enter the program.
   Fall 2014

8. Contact Person: Provide contact information for the person who can answer specific questions about the program.
   Name: Robert Hummer
   Title: Professor, Dept of Sociology
   E-mail: rhummer@prc.utexas.edu
   Phone: 512-471-8391

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I hereby certify that all of the following criteria have been met in accordance with the procedures outlined in Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.44:

(a) The program has institutional approval.

(b) The program complies with the Standards for Bachelor’s and Master’s Programs.

(c) Adequate funds are available to cover the costs of the new program.

(d) New costs during the first five years of the program will not exceed $2 million.

(e) The program is a non-engineering program (i.e., not classified under CIP code 14).

(f) The program will be offered by a university or health-related institution.

I understand that the Coordinating Board will update the program inventory for the institution if no objections to the proposed program are received during the 30-day public comment period.

[Signature]
Chief Executive Officer
3/1/2014
Date

I hereby certify that the Board of Regents has approved this program.

Date of Board of Regents approval: 7/2/14

[Signature]
Board of Regents (or Designee)
7/2/14
Date