

June 5, 2015

Dr. Dan R. Jones President Texas A&M University-Commerce P.O. Box 3011 Commerce, TX 75428



Dear Dr. Jones:

Thank you for your letter of February 23, 2015, and the supplemental information sent via email to your SACSCOC staff member, Dr. Mary P. Kirk, by the University's accreditation liaison, Dr. Marila Palmer, on May 20, 2015. The University notified the Commission of the intent to close the B.S. in Health Promotion degree program, contingent on approval of the proposed B.S. in Public Health degree program by the University's Board of Directors and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). The supplemental material sent electronically on May 20, 2015, documented approval of the new program by THECB.

The teach-out plan submitted with your February 23, 2015 letter indicated that no new students will be admitted after August 31, 2015. Current students, faculty, and staff will be notified via email of the details of the change in programs. The Directors of both programs will meet with all health (HHPH) classes to answer questions, and fliers advertising the closure will be posted on campus. Faculty and staff will also be notified of the closure via email, and those in the Department of Health and Human Performance will be notified in the next department meeting. No faculty or staff will be affected by the closure of the program.

No courses are being eliminated, so students will be able to complete the program. Students will meet with the program director to discuss the individual's final course work.

We approve the closure of the B.S. in Health Promotion degree program and require no additional information.

Best regards,

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cc: Dr. Marila Palmer, Associate Provost of Institutional Effectiveness and Planning

Dr. Mary P. Kirk