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Dr. Anthony Harris, Chair Department of Educational Leadership College of Education Sam Houston State University Box 2119 Huntsville, TX 77341

Dear Dr Harris:

A review of the library's collection of information resources for the Doctorate in Higher Education Administration, found that the collection can support this degree. The Library is currently supporting all graduate programs in Educational Leadership, Literacy, and Counseling, and will, therefore, be able to support this program without any additional costs.

The Newton Gresham Library is open 100 hours per week and provides access to a collection of over 1.3 million books and journals. The library also offers access to a variety of electronic resources including licensed books, journals, and bibliographic/full text databases. The library subscribes to over 200 electronic databases, most of which include access to full text articles and chapters. In addition, the library has access to over 2,000 journals in the field of education and provides access to over 300,000 electronic books through new library initiatives.

Students in this program can identify the latest research, current trends and professional development materials in Education Source and ERIC; these online databases include full text articles, documents and chapters in books. Research on college students can also be found in PsycInfo; while Business Source Complete provides information on the financial segment of Higher Education. Working with other libraries in The Texas State University System, the Newton Gresham Library provides access to SpringerLink, Wiley Online Library, ScienceDirect and Sage Premier; these full text journal collections include many titles in the behavioral sciences. The Library provides remote access to its collection of electronic resources.

Students have real time access to a librarian using either chat or texting; the librarian can demonstrate how to successfully search a database, help develop a research strategy or suggest appropriate resources on a given topic. Students can also email or call the Reference Desk using a toll free number. Students taking classes at The Woodlands Center have the support of a full-time Librarian and access to all the library resources available in the Newton Gresham Library. Additionally, librarians can be "embedded" in online courses to act as a collaborator in support of students and faculty.

For those resources not immediately available at Sam Houston State University, interlibrary and shared resources programs will provide access. All Texas state institutions and many private universities participate in TexShare, a cooperative resource-sharing program which permits borrowers in good standing at their home institution to obtain books on-site at participating institutions. The library will monitor the demand for document delivery and interlibrary loan services to determine the need for additional journals as the program grows and specific research areas are identified.

We in the library wish you well with this program. It will be an asset to the university. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Ann H. Holder

Director of Library Services