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Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges
ATTN: Substantive Change Office
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

It has recently come to our attention that we are responsible for notifying the Commission of level changes associated with an increase in the institutions number of doctoral programs. Per SACSCOC substantive change requirements, we are submitting a letter to request that Sam Houston State University be reclassified from a Level V to a Level VI institution. The University currently offers ten doctoral programs:

- Criminal Justice, PhD
- Forensic Science, PhD
- Counselor Education, PhD
- Instructional Systems Design and Technology, EdD
- Educational Leadership, EdD
- Higher Education Leadership, EdD
- Developmental Education Administration, EdD
- Literacy, EdD
- Clinical Psychology, PhD
- Digital and Cyber Forensic Science, PhD

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Dana L. Hoyt
President

c. Somer Franklin, SACSCOC Liaison

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