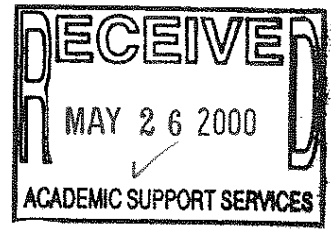




TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Office of the Executive Vice President
and Provost



May 22, 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Robert Gates
Interim Dean
Bush School of Government and Public Service

Dr. Arnold Vedlitz
Executive Associate Dean
Bush School of Government and Public Service

Dr. Charles Hermann
Associate Dean
Bush School of Government and Public Service

SUBJECT: Certificate Program in Advanced International Affairs

Attached is Dr. Marshall Hill's response to my letter of May 5, 2000, regarding your Certificate Program in Advanced International Affairs. Even though we were not expecting the Certificate Program to be listed on Texas A&M University's Program Inventory, Dr. Hill has reiterated this point in his letter.

Good luck with this new initiative.

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conversation w/ Coiman
she will coordinate
copy for inclusion in
the Graduate Catalog
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Ronald G. Douglas
Executive Vice President
and Provost

Attachments

cc: Dr. Rick Giardino
Ms. Jeanette Phariss
Ms. Linda Lacey



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May 15, 2000

Dr. Ronald G. Douglas
Executive Vice President
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Dear Dr. Douglas:

Thank you for informing the Coordinating Board that Texas A&M University (TAMU) intends to establish an International Affairs Graduate Certification Program.

As you correctly mentioned in your letter, certification programs with semester credit hours of this magnitude do not require Coordinating Board approval. The certification program will not be shown on TAMU's program inventory; however, we are always interested in the academic endeavors of institutions.

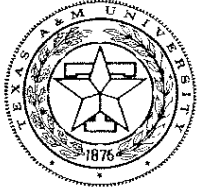
Best wishes to TAMU for success with this important field of study.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marshall".

Marshall A. Hill

cc: Jeanette Phariss
Paul Meyer



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May 5, 2000

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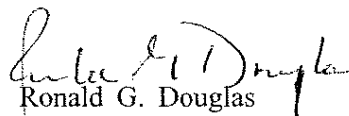
Dear Dr. Hill:

We recently made a telephone inquiry to the Universities Division of the Coordinating Board related to guidelines for Certificate Programs not related to Teacher Education Programs and were informed that the Coordinating Board does not regulate such programs. We have recently developed and implemented an International Affairs Graduate Certification Program at the George Bush School of Government and Public Service.

For informational purposes, we are sending you a copy of the proposal of the certificate program that is being offered. We believe this is an excellent certificate program and will be sought by (1) students who have just completed an undergraduate degree at Texas A&M University, (2) graduate students currently enrolled in other degree programs at Texas A&M University who would like to augment their education by an international affairs certificate from the Bush School, and (3) officers currently serving on military bases in Texas. It is anticipated that at least some of the military personnel would be enrolled through distance education, which the school plans to start in the second year of the program.

If there is any additional information we need to provide related to this International Affairs Graduate Certificate Program, please let me know.

Sincerely,


Ronald G. Douglas
Executive Vice President
and Provost

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Attachment

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