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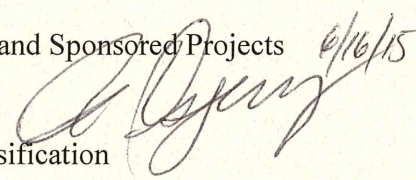
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To: Dr. Diana Natalicio, President's Office

Through: Dr. Howard C. Daudistel, Office of the Provost 

From: Dr. Roberto Osegueda, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects  6/16/15

Attached: LAHD Proposal for ORU, Category 2 Classification


Date: 6/4/15

Re: ORU II Classification of LAHDR

Title: ORU II Classification of Latino Alcohol and Health Disparities Research (LAHDR) Center

After review of performance, plans and future prospects with Dr. Craig Field, it is recommended that the Latino Alcohol and Health Disparities Research (LAHDR) Center be added to the classification list of Organized Research Units (ORU), category 2. Promoting interaction with different units spanning colleges and with the ability to strengthen the overall ability of the University to accomplish its mission, the LAHDR Center's primary purpose is interdisciplinary research on the development, course and treatment of alcohol use disorders in a bilingual-bicultural context. LAHDR will be strategically positioned to fill an important gap in current research on alcohol related health disparities among Hispanics at the local, regional and national level. The mission of LAHDR requires the integration of a number of fields of expertise including psychology, sociology, anthropology, biological sciences, neuroscience, computer science and epigenetics. An organizational infrastructure is required to foster the development of cross disciplinary research teams to foster and establish interdependent research collaborations that lead to novel insights and solutions for alcohol related health disparities among Hispanics. The Center fits UTEP's cross-cutting research theme: U.S.-Mexico and Latin America: Social and Behavioral Issues.

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