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February 28, 2017

Dr. Kevin Sightler Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges 1866 Southern Lane Decatur, GA 30033-4097

RE: Collaborative Agreement Among Three Institutions, Follow-up to Letter of February 9, 2017

Dear Dr. Sightler:

We received your letter of February 9, 2017 regarding the Master of Science in Supply Chain Management, a collaborative arrangement with two other universities, Tongji University, Shanghai, China, and Kühne Logistics University, Hamburg, Germany. You asked that the disclaimer statement be added to the Memorandum of Understanding.

As discussed with you on Friday, February 24, the program is truly a collaboration and not a dual degree program nor is it a transfer credit articulation agreement. Students from the three universities will be taking classes together, however, they will receive only one degree from their home institution. We have credentialed the faculty from the collaborating institutions. Students from UT will be enrolled in UT courses while in Germany and China. They will receive instruction from credentialed adjunct faculty at the partner institutions. No course work from either of the partner universities will be applied to University of Tennessee, Knoxville transcripts.

The arrangement is akin to international study abroad. The program consists of 39 graduate semester credit hours with 12 taken at KLU (Germany; 31 %), 9 taken at Tongji (China, 23%), and 18 taken at UT (USA, 46 %).

Attached to this letter is the addendum to the memorandum of understanding among the three institutions that includes the disclaimer as required by SACS COC. Each of the institutions signed and sent in separate signature pages, hence there are three signature pages. I did not attach the original memorandum or other documentation previously submitted to your office.

Anticipated Start of Program: Fall Semester 2017 (August 23, 2017)

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We hope that this clarification will facilitate action on our submission.

Sincerely,

Mary Lewnes Albrecht, PhD

Associate Vice Provost for Accreditation

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Dr. Steven M. Sheeley, Vice President, SACS COC

Dr. Heather Hartman, Coordinator



Addendum to

Memorandum of Understanding between

Haslam College of Business University of Tennessee, Knoxville

School of Economics and Management Tongji University Shanghai, China

> Kühne Logistics University Hamburg, Germany

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As required by our accreditor, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACS COC), this addendum is appended to the original consortial arrangement as outlined in the original Memorandum of Understanding of March 2016

University of Tennessee, Knoxville is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award bachelor, master, and doctoral degrees. Tongji University and Kuhn Logistics University are not accredited by SACS Commission on Colleges and the accreditation of University of Tennessee, Knoxville does not extend to or include Tongji University and Kuhn Logistics University] or its students. Further, although [University of Tennessee, Knoxville agrees to accept certain course work from Tongji University and Kuhn Logistics University to be applied toward an award from University of Tennessee, Knoxville, that course work may not be accepted by other colleges or universities in transfer, even if it appears on a transcript from University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The decision to accept course work in transfer from any institution is made by the institution considering the acceptance of credits or course work.

On behalf of KLU:		
Place Hamburg, Germany	Date	Feb. 27, 2017
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President and Managing Director		
On behalf of UT:		
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Beverly J. Davenport, PhD		-
Chancellor		
On behalf of SEM:		
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Professor Jaizhen HUO, PhD		
Dean		

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On behalf of KLU: Place	Date		
Professor Thomas Strothotte, PhD, MBA President and Managing Director			
On behalf of UT: Place KNDXVILLE, TN. Beverly J. Davenport, PhD Chancellor	Date	2.24.2017	
On behalf of SEM: Place	Date		
Professor Jaizhen HUO, PhD Dean			

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