

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 4, 2014
TO: Dr. Jaime Goff
CC: Dr. Bruce Scott
FROM: Mark McCallon, Associate Dean for Library Services
RE: Program Proposal for Ed.D. in Organizational Leadership

Based on recent conversation with leadership in the Graduate School, including the Program Director for the Ed.D., there is not stated need for additional library resources or services for the proposed Ed.D. program. The library will seek to maintain its current information resources, with some planned reductions, and will not license discipline-specific or doctoral-level resources such as EBSCO Education Complete or Proquest Digital Dissertations, nor purchase demand-driven access to e-books in relevant disciplinary areas.

The Ed.D. program plan has identified tasks for the faculty teaching the courses, and other Graduate School support staff, including academic advisors. These tasks include support services that are conventionally provided by the library faculty and library staff, including information literacy instruction, just-in-time research assistance, information resource licensing, and copyright clearance for course reserve. Interlibrary loans of books and document delivery of articles are not currently planned as needs of faculty or students in the Ed.D, and so no additional resources are requested or provided for these library services.

At the request of the Graduate School, both ACU Library Faculty and Ed.D. Program Faculty will meet together every six months to review the adequacy of the above-stated approach to support of academic information resources and services.

The Library would refer interested parties to published research regarding the information seeking behaviors and skills of Ed.D. students, including adult learners in online programs. Citations and additional information is available from the library upon request.

Respectfully,



Mark McCallon
Associate Dean for Library Services