Thanks Dave. It was your foresight that brought IFMA and COB together. I know we will collaborate to continue to grow the program and have the best in the country!!! We already have the best in Texas.

----- Original Message -----  
From: Dave Riker  
To: Lynda De La Vina  
Sent: Fri Sep 04 09:24:53 2009  
Subject: Congratulations! FW: UTSA College of Business #1  

Dear Lynda,

Congratulations on this great honor! I know how hard you folks work to provide the best possible programs, and know it is well earned.

Congratulations also on the establishment of the new FM minor. I have never seen so much excitement within our IFMA chapter, and look forward to following the development of the program.

Best Wishes.

Dave Riker  
Associate Vice President for Facilities

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From: Wendy Frost  
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2009 5:14 PM  
Subject: UTSA College of Business #1
UTSA College of Business Ranked #1 in the Nation by Hispanic Business

The University of Texas at San Antonio College of Business has been ranked the #1 graduate business school in the nation for Hispanics by Hispanic Business in their September 2009 edition.

“We are honored to be recognized by Hispanic Business,” said Dr. Lynda de la Viña, dean of the UTSA College of Business and Peter Flawn Professor of Economics. “This ranking speaks to the quality of our academic programming and the services that we provide our MBA students and for our community. It elevates the college into the upper echelon of business schools in the nation.”

This is the second year that UTSA has been included in the listing and the 12th year that Hispanic Business has conducted their study. The rankings (in order) included UTSA, UT - El Paso, University of Miami, UT - Austin, Stanford University, University of New Mexico, Dartmouth, Florida International University, University of California at Berkeley and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Hispanic Business ranked the top 10 business schools nationally based on a number of criteria that illustrated commitment to diversity, including enrollment of Hispanics, percentage of full-time Hispanic faculty members, student support services, graduation rates and graduate program reputation. Their ranking also included the top universities in medicine, law and engineering.


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Please send all comments and suggestions to Wendy Frost, director of communications, at wendy.frost@utsa.edu.

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Dear George and Dave,

The facilities management program is in the new undergraduate catalogue as a minor within the Real Estate Finance and Development program. We worked very hard to get it in on time!!! It is open to REFD majors and of particular interest to the building development/construction management track. We hope to make facilities nto a major in the future but we monior its development including student interest and community support.

At this time we also have an MS degree in construction Management that is in the graduate catalogue. Thom Thompson is charged with directing and developing these programs in coordination with Diane Walz, Assoc Dean for Graduate Studies.

George, thanks for your interest. We are always open to coordination.

Lynda

----- Original Message ----- 
From: Dave Riker 
To: George Perry 
Cc: Dorothy Flannagan; Thomas Thomson; Fred Weiss; Yolanda Ledesma; Lynda De La Vina 
Sent: Mon Jul 06 11:22:08 2009 
Subject: RE: Facilities Management 

Dr. Perry,

Thank you for your comments. I am forwarding your note to Dr. Thomas Thomson, professor in the College of Business, who is leading the effort to establish the Facilities Management program. We are very excited to see the movement toward establishment of the program, and I am sure Dr. Thomson and Dean De La Vina would welcome Dr. Flanagan’s involvement and support.

Warm Regards,

Dave Riker

David J. Riker, MSCE, CFM, FMA 
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I was just talking with Dorothy Flanagan, Dean of Graduate Studies, about the Facilities Management program. It would be good to involve her in the planning process to speed approval.
Dave Riker

From: Fred Weiss
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 1:05 PM
To: Dave Riker
Subject: FW: Facility Management Program

Please see Charlie's response below.

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From: Claar, Charles [mailto:Charles.Claar@ifma.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 12:40 PM
To: Fred Weiss
Cc: mitchell.thomas@bah.com; Brady, Dave
Subject: RE: Facility Management Program

Fred,

Your academic colleagues in the CoB did an excellent job putting together the information you furnished me.

As I understand the material sent me I think this would an outstanding start towards a FM major. I read the course descriptions, then the Areas of Knowledge and found that you could easily make a major out of existing courses and the new courses that will be written. It's not difficult to imagine that UTSA could become a Recognized Degree Program (RDP) after you graduate two cohorts.

When it is appropriate I would like several FM academicians from our RDP's to confirm my conclusions.

I sincerely hope that UTSA initiates the FM minor this fall. If so, let me know how I can help. I'm certain the San Antonio Chapter would say the same.

Charlie

Charles N. Claar, CFM, CFMJ, PE
Charlie,

Please review and forward your comments. Dave Riker and I meet with them Friday 1/30.

It appears they want to proceed!

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From: Thomas Thomson
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 6:08 PM
To: Fred Weiss; Dave Riker
Cc: Lynda De La Vina
Subject: RE: Facility Management Program

Attached is a draft of our proposed minor, with tables noting of how the existing and two courses meet the 9 IFMA competencies. I have included the catalog description of the courses for reference. If you squeeze a look through this before our meeting on Friday, that will help our efficiency. <<Summary for Facilities Management Minor_REFD.doc>>

Thomas A. Thomson, Ph. D.

Professor of Finance and Real Estate

Director, Real Estate Finance and Development Program
From: Fred Weiss

Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 4:11 PM

To: Thomas Thomson

Subject: Facility Management Program

Thom,

Is there any advance preparation I can do our scheduled meeting on Friday Jan 31?

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