

College Research Committee

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Dr. Lin Lin Childhood/Early Childhood Education Department B-224 Van Hoesen

Dear Dr. Lin:

On behalf of the College Research Committee (CRC), I am writing to inform you that the CRC decided not to award you a 2006 Summer Research Fellowship for your proposed project, *Geopolitical Knowledge and Global Awareness of Pre-Service Teachers*. While your proposed examination of the geopolitical knowledge and global awareness of American upper-level undergraduate university students in a childhood teacher education program was viewed by several CRC Members as an effective means of identifying gaps in pre-service teachers' knowledge and global awareness, the CRC received seven more applications than could be funded necessitating a very competitive selection process.

The CRC's review of your narrative generated the following suggestions to produce a more competitive proposal: significance of the project (define a scope of work to include both a pre- and post-test framework through which pre-service teachers' geopolitical knowledge can be assessed); literature and background (provide more recent sources to document the state of current knowledge); research design and methods (clearly define methodology for conducting the survey including the number to be surveyed and the (postage and other) costs of completion).

Thank you for your interest in the 2006 Summer Research Fellowship. The CRC encourages you to consider applying again in the future as long as you remain eligible to compete.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. McRoberts, Chair

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