Appendix

September 20, 2016

Dear Prospective Research Participant

Thank you for responding and indicating your interest in participating in this voluntary study. Jonathan Cronin, a graduate student at Texas State University, is conducting a research study to analyze the qualitative experiences of Latina/o student veterans’ transition in higher education. You have identified yourself as a Latina/o (or Hispanic), who served as a veteran of OEF or OIF and who currently attend higher education through your service-connected education benefit, such as the post-9/11 GI Bill.

Participation is voluntary. Our meeting will take up to an hour. To better understand the research population we would like you to complete a brief survey which will take approximately 5 minutes or less to complete. You must be at least 18 years old to take this survey. This survey and the interview involves no foreseeable serious risks. We ask that you try to answer all questions; however, if there are any items that make you uncomfortable or that you would prefer to skip, please leave the answer blank. Your responses are anonymous.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact Jonathan Cronin or his faculty advisor Dr. Bob Price

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If you would prefer not to participate in the short survey and the interview, please indicate such. You will be asked to signed an informed consent conform at the interview and you may complete the short survey just prior to the interview. If you wish to proceed in your participation then we will now begin to schedule our meeting at your soonest convenience.

This project 2016P6654 was approved by the Texas State IRB on 07/26/16. Pertinent questions or concerns about the research, research participants' rights, and/or research-related injuries to participants should be directed to the IRB chair, Dr. Jon Lasser 512-245-3413 – (lasser@txstate.edu) or to Monica Gonzales, IRB Regulatory Manager 512-245- 2334 - (meg201@txstate.edu).

Thank you for your time and interest.

Sincerely,
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