



Response to DE Employee Request for Consent to Sell

Employee Name and Job Title: Isbelia Arzola; Education Consultant, GEAR UP

Division, Bureau: Division of PK – 12 Education; Bureau of Student & Family Support Services

Date of Request: April 17, 2012

Date of Agency Determination: April 23, 2012

Determination¹: Consent granted without condition

Summary of Request and Rationale for Determination:

Isbelia Arzola seeks permission to sell the service of teaching undergraduate and graduate classes at Drake University (Drake). The courses examine the intersection of race, ethnicity, and gender in the United States, including historical implications. The courses are designed to promote a healthy dialogue about difficult issues surrounding human differences.

As a private postsecondary institution, Drake is not regulated by the Iowa Department of Education (IDE) with the exception of the teacher and administrator preparation programs offered by Drake. Ms. Arzola is not a member of IDE staff whose responsibility it is to review, assess, and recommend for approval practitioner preparation programs. She has no duties at IDE that place her in a position of authority over Drake.

Therefore, the sale of the service of teaching the aforementioned courses for Drake will not cause Isbelia Arzola to advocate on behalf of any entity, does not benefit or prejudice any regulated person or entity, and does not result in a conflict of interest per section 68B.2A.

¹ If the determination is a denial or a conditional consent, the employee may file an appeal with the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board pursuant to rule 351—IAC 6.11(6).