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Dr. Kelly Hall has been dedicated to enriching the landscape of higher education for over 25 years. At TAMUK, Dr. Hall is serving as the Chair of the Educational Leadership and Counseling Department, where she is also an Assistant Professor. She formerly served as coordinator and advisor in the Educational Leadership and Higher Education Administration and Leadership programs. Her academic journey is marked by the attainment of a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration and an M.S. in Sociology-Demography from Illinois State University, along with two undergraduate degrees in Business Management. She completed the prestigious Institute for Education Management program at Harvard University, further solidifying her expertise in the field.

Dr. Hall has held numerous administrative roles, including Dean of Student Services, Academic Program Director, and Director of Institutional Research, Planning, and Grants. She has also served as a mentor to over 70 students, guiding them through their dissertation research projects and nurturing the next generation of academic leaders.

Dr. Hall's impact extends beyond teaching her dozen years of teaching experience as evidenced by her substantial contributions to research and funding. She has published over 60 articles and technical reports. A former Certified Fund-Raising Executive, she has secured over \$10 million in funding for various initiatives and special projects. These projects have addressed critical workforce demands such as cybersecurity, rural healthcare, and minority access in higher education, underscoring her commitment to driving positive change. Her work was cited in an amicus curiae brief to the Supreme Court of the United States, exemplifying its profound impact and relevance on a national scale.

Dr. Hall's expertise extends beyond academia into the realm of consultancy, where she provided invaluable services for over two decades. She has offered strategic guidance in organizational assessment, improvement, and program evaluation, utilizing both qualitative and quantitative research methodologies to drive meaningful outcomes. As an administrator at TAMUK, Dr. Hall has demonstrated unwavering dedication to the institution's growth and success. Dr. Hall's contributions have not gone unnoticed, as evidenced by her recognition as a TAMUK Educator of the Month in December 2022, and nominations for the College of Education and Human Performance Outstanding Faculty Awards further underscores her impact and influence within the TAMUK community.

Dr. Kelly Hall's unparalleled dedication, expertise, and leadership have left an indelible mark on higher education, enriching the lives of individuals and institutions. Her tireless commitment to excellence serves as a testament to her passion for education and her endurance as a transformative leader in the field.