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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.

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