Elimination of MS in Education: Childhood Special Education

The College at Brockport, College Senate

2-19-2007
TO: Dr. John R. Halstead, College President

FROM: The College Senate: February 19, 2007

RE: ⊗ 1. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
   II. Recommendation (Urging the Fitness of)
   III. Other, For Your Information (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJ: Elimination of MS in Education: Childhood Special Education

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 2/23/07

(Dr. Jeffrey T. Lashbrook, 2006-07 College Senate President)

Please fill out the bottom portion and return document to the College Senate Office.

TO: The College Senate President

ROM: College President

RE: ⊗ 1. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution (circle choice)

   a. Accepted
      • "Implementation Effective Date: 1/1/2007"
      *Date resolution will begin to be used by the College (ie, spring, fall, when included in catalog, etc.)
   b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on ___/___/___
   c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II, III. Response to Recommendation or Other/FYI

   a. Received and acknowledged ___/___/___
   b. Comment: ________________________________

DISTRIBUTED BY PRESIDENT'S OFFICE TO: President's Cabinet

DISTRIBUTE ALSO TO: Originator, Academic Advisement, Registrar (as appropriate)

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 3/6/07

(Dr. John R. Halstead, President, SUNY College at Brockport)
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: FEBRUARY 23
Incomplete proposals or proposals received after the deadline may not be reviewed until next semester.

INSTRUCTIONS:
- Submit only complete proposals.
- Proposals must be prepared individually in Word format using committee guidelines (guidelines online).
- Fill out this cover page for each proposal (available online at www.brockport.edu/collegesenate).
- Email proposal and this cover page to senate@brockport.edu and facprez@brockport.edu.
- All updates must be resubmitted to the Senate office with the original cover page including routing number.
- Questions? Call the Senate office at 395-2586 or the appropriate committee chairperson.

1. PROPOSAL TITLE:
Please be somewhat descriptive, for example, Graduate Probation/Dismissal Proposal rather than Graduate Proposal.
Elimination of MS in Education: Childhood Special Education

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:
The Department of Education and Human Development will no longer offer the MS in Education: Childhood Special Education. Special Education will be offered as a dual certification program at the undergraduate level.

3. ANTICIPATED DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION: Summer 2007
Enter date this will be effective if passed by the Senate.

4. SUBMISSION & REVISION DATES:
Please put a date on all updated documents to avoid confusion.

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*(ROUTING NUMBER IS A CHRONOLOGICAL NUMBER SEQUENCE FOLLOWED BY ACADEMIC YEAR AND COMMITTEE INITIALS)*
MS in Education: Childhood Special Education

SED Program Name: Childhood Special Education
Award: MSEd

Rationale for Program Elimination

The Department of Education and Human Development proposes to eliminate the 33-credit hour Special Education graduate program. It is the goal of the Department to develop dual certification undergraduate Childhood and Adolescence/Special Education programs for implementation fall, 2007.

The existing full-time program did not meet enrollment projections and was an inefficient use of faculty resources.

A comparison of the new program to the old program.

The proposed dual certification undergraduate program will be separately submitted to College Senate within the next two weeks.

A discussion regarding “Mission”, “Market”, and “Quality”. Specifically address the following issues:
How does the proposal reflect the campus mission focus?
N/A

What are the market demand factors that this proposal responds to? Include program competition from other regional colleges.
The program was unable to meet projected enrollments. Also, Brockport is the only area college without dual certification programs in special education at the undergraduate level.

How is program quality addressed in this proposal?
N/A

Description of the new courses.

N/A

Staffing.

Sufficiency of existing staff.

N/A

Need for new staff.

N/A

Additional cost (SUNY).

N/A

Effective Date (SUNY).

Spring 2007

Academic administration commentary. It is strongly recommended that the department consult with the Graduate Dean EARLY in the process.
Chris,

Thanks for contacting me. The Department of Education and Human Development has determined that our students will be better served by offering dual certification programs in childhood education with special education and adolescence education with special education at the undergraduate level. We also have not met the projected enrollment for the fulltime MSED in special education. For these reasons, the department has decided to eliminate the MSED in special education and redirect the faculty resources to the undergraduate programs. I fully support this decision.

Sincerely,
Christine E. Murray  
Dean, School of Professions

-----Original Message-----
From: Chris Norment [mailto:cnorment@brockport.edu]  
Sent: Tuesday, December 05, 2006 7:58 AM  
To: cmurray@brockport.edu  
Subject: Question MS in Special Education

Hi, Christine - The Graduate Curriculum Committee will be meeting today to discuss the proposed elimination of the MS in Special Education (#29 06-07 GC). We have a letter of support from Eileen Daniel; I assume that you support the change, but we still need something in writing.
Thanks,
Chris

November 29, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

I support the elimination of the MS in Education: Childhood Special Education.

Sincerely,

Eileen Daniel,  
Interim Chair,  
Education and Human Development

January 15, 2007

TO: Faculty Senate  
FR: Christine E. Murray, Dean

Senate Routing No: #29 06-07 GC
I have reviewed the Department of Education and Human Development’s proposal for program revisions in the Childhood Education program to add the students with disabilities 1-6 certification. These revisions strengthen the programs to better prepare our teacher candidates to be effective teachers with all students and to make them more competitive in their job searches. I give it my full support.