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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the College of Education for a new Area of Emphasis in Social Studies Education under the major in Education (M.A.) will be an agenda item for the April 27, 2018, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Alison F. Alexander, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost Pamela S. Whitten
   Dr. Rahul Shrivastav
PROPOSAL FOR AREA OF EMPHASIS

1. School/College: College of Education

2. Department/Division: College of Education

3. Major: Education (M.A.)

4. Major Requirements: See below

5. Area of Emphasis Title: Social Studies Education

6. Proposed starting date: Summer 2018

7. Area of Emphasis Description:

The major in Education (M.A.) with an Area of Emphasis in Social Studies Education allows students to explore and analyze theories, issues, practices, and approaches in social studies education via coursework and the development of research competency culminating with an approved master’s thesis. Students must meet all residence, grade, GPA, and other requirements set by the Graduate School for all master’s degrees and must meet all other requirements set by the College of Education for any emphasis under the Master of Arts in Education degree.

The program of study for the Area of Emphasis in Social Studies Education requires at least 30 credit hours distributed as follows:

**Required Courses**

**Social Studies Education (9 hours)**
- ESOC 7050, Problems of Teaching Social Studies (3 hours)
- ESOC 7080, Curriculum Planning in the Social Sciences (3 hours)
- ESOC 7090, Survey of Research in Social Studies Education (3 hours)

**Research Courses (6 hours)**
- ESOC 7300, Master’s Thesis (3 hours)
- Choose one additional course:
  - ERSH 6200, Methods of Research in Education (3 hours)
  - ERSH 6300, Applied Statistical Methods in Education (3 hours)
  - ETAP(QUAL)(ERSH) 7500, Action Research (3 hours)
  - QUAL 8400, Qualitative Research Traditions (3 hours)
- Other ERSH, ETAP, or QUAL courses approved by faculty advisor

**Recommended Courses**

**Curriculum and Instruction (9 hours)**
- Choose from:
  - ESOC 7010, Teaching Geography (3 hours)
  - ESOC(HIST) 7020, Teaching History (3 hours)
  - ESOC 7030, Teaching Economics (3 hours)
  - ESOC 7040, Teaching Politics, Government and Citizenship (3 hours)
  - ESOC 7060, Teaching World History (3 hours)
  - ETAP 7610, Classroom Management in Culturally Responsive Classrooms (3 hours)
ETAP 7330, Spaces of Writing, Inquiry, and Leadership for Equity in Education (3 hours)
Other appropriate courses approved by faculty advisor

Electives (6 hours)
Choose from:
Appropriate History, Social Sciences, and Education courses approved by faculty advisor
Approvals on File

Proposal: Area of Emphasis in Social Studies Education under the major in Education (M.A.)
College: College of Education
Proposed Effective Term: Summer 2018

Department:
- Educational Theory and Practice Department Head, Dr. Cynthia Dillard, 1/12/2018

School/College:
- College of Education Associate Dean, Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, 3/15/2018
- College of Education Interim Dean, Dr. Denise Spangler, 3/16/2018

Graduate School:
- Graduate School Dean, Dr. Suzanne Barbour, 3/30/2018