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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the College of Education to terminate the Area of Emphasis in School Library Media under the major in Learning, Design, and Technology (M.Ed., Ed.S.) will be an agenda item for the August 25, 2017, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Alison F. Alexander, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost Pamela S. Whitten
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav

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College of Education
*Department of Career
and Information Studies*
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

12 April 2017

To: Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, Associate Dean for Academic Programs

From: Robert C. M. Branch, Department Head & Janette R. Hill, LDT Program Coordinator

Robert C. M. Branch

Janette R. Hill

Re: Closing the SLM Emphasis Area of LDT M.Ed. and Ed.S. degree programs and certification options

Stacey,

In fall 2015, the LDT faculty voted 10/0 to close and suspend admissions to the School Library Media (SLM) Emphasis Area in the Learning, Design, and Technology (LDT) M.Ed. and Ed.S. degrees, and certification options. As of spring 2016, admissions to the program was suspended. This decision was made after careful consideration of data, including enrollments over the last 3 years and projected employment outlook for the state of Georgia, as well as extensive deliberation in several faculty meetings. The LDT faculty did not take this decision lightly. Based on the data as well as faculty resources and scholarly focus, we request that the two SLM M.Ed. and Ed.S. degree emphasis areas be closed as of Fall 2017. We believe this decision is in the best interest of the program, the department, and the college.

Of the cohort that began the degrees in the summer and fall of 2015, four (4) are completing the degree requirements. All SLM emphasis area students are currently scheduled to complete their degrees by summer 2017, fall 2017 at the latest pending unforeseen circumstances. We will continue to offer classes so that members of the last admitted cohort can complete their degree program with the emphasis in School Library Media.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Approvals on File

Proposal: Terminate the area of emphasis in School Library Media under the major in Learning, Design, and Technology (M.Ed.,Ed.S.)

Department: Career and Information Studies

College: College of Education

Proposed Effective Term: Spring 2018

Department:

- Career and Information Studies Department Head, Dr. Robert Branch, 4/12/17

School/College:

- College of Education Associate Dean, Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, 5/1/17

Graduate School:

- Graduate School Dean, Dr. Suzanne Barbour, 5/9/17