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October 13, 2023

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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Mary Frances Early College of Education to change the name of the Area of Emphasis in Teaching Advanced Mathematics to the Area of Emphasis in Educational Studies in Mathematics Education under the major in Mathematics Education (B.S.Ed.) will be an agenda item for the October 20, 2023, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu
Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro

ACADEMIC PROGRAM NAME CHANGE JUSTIFICATION FORM

Date: August 21, 2023

Department/Division: Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education

School/College/Unit: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2024

Major: Mathematics Education (B.S.Ed.)

Area of Emphasis: Area of Emphasis in Teaching Advanced Mathematics

Area of Emphasis CIP: 13131101

PROGRAM NAME CHANGES:

Current Program Name: Area of Emphasis in Teaching Advanced Mathematics

Proposed Program Name: Area of Emphasis in Educational Studies in Mathematics Education

PROGRAM OF STUDY:

Choose 12 hours of EMAT courses in consultation with program faculty.

JUSTIFICATION:

The current area of emphasis title, Teaching Advanced Mathematics, was chosen when there were a number of students in Mathematics Education (B.S.Ed.) who were not interested in becoming certified to teach in grades 6-12, which is the primary goal of the major. This title has caused confusion for students who think the area of emphasis is for those who want to teach precalculus and calculus in high schools.

Every other undergraduate major in the College of Education offers an Area of Emphasis in Educational Studies relevant to the specific program. Changing the name of this area of emphasis to Educational

Studies in Mathematics Education will align the Mathematics Education (B.S.Ed.) with the rest of the college and decrease confusion for students.

Documentation of Approval and Notification

Proposal: Change the name of the Area of Emphasis in Teaching Advanced Mathematics to the Area of Emphasis in Educational Studies in Mathematics Education under the major in Mathematics Education (B.S.Ed.)

College: Mary Frances Early College of Education

Department: Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education

Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2024

Approvals:

- Mary Frances Early College of Education Dean, Dr. Denise Spangler, 6/2/2023
- Mary Frances Early College of Education Associate Dean, Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett, 8/21/23
- Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education Department Head, Dr. Roger Hill, 6/4/23