

Graduate Program Change Proposal

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Department/Committee Information

The main contact person for the Graduate Curriculum Committee should fill out this form.

Requestor Name:

* Megan Krell

Members of the Graduate Curriculum Committee:

Lynn D'Agostino
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Academic Dean :

Dr. Sara Levine

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Program Chair

The Program Chair for this request is among the people listed above.

* ☒ Yes
☐ No

Program Information

This proposal refers to a (check all that apply): ☐ Certificate Program ☐ Teacher Licensure Program ☒ Degree Program

Does the program run on a cohort model? ☐ Yes
☒ No

Will additional faculty be needed, day/adjunct? ☐ Yes
☒ No

Briefly describe program change to the existing program as it will appear in university catalog:

* Pause admission to the EdS in Interdisciplinary Studies – Counseling/Psychology program.

Population/anticipated enrollment/staffing plan (i.e., Who/how many will program serve?)

* This program currently has 0 enrolled students.

Rationale and expected outcomes for program change:

* Enrollment in this program has decreased steadily since the Board of Registration of Allied Mental Health and Human Services Professions changed their licensure regulations to require a 60 credit master's degree for the LMHC. As such, this means that school counseling graduates may not use the EdS as a pathway to obtain their LMHC.

How does this change affect the departments Learning Outcomes for the program? List any changes that need to be made.

Implementation plan (what semester will new policy/policy change begin; will change be phased in)

* Pause all new enrollment into the EdS program, effective immediately.

An old and new plan of study must be included with this proposal (Please use template for program revision).

If new courses are proposed or major changes are made to existing courses, submit a Graduate Council New Course Approval form.

Old Plan of Study Attached here.

New Plan of Study Attached here

Attach any letter(s) of support from professional agencies or others within or outside the university.

Signatures

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Megan Krell

10/23/2025

Requester Signature:

Date

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Richard Miebe

10/29/2025

Department Chair Approval:

Date

Graduate Council

The Graduate Council Chair Signature indicates that the Council has discussed this proposal and has decided it should move forward.

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Sara Levine

10/29/2025

Academic Dean Signature:

Date

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Becky Copper Gleng

10/29/2025

SGOCE Dean Signature:

Date

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Graduate Council Chair Signature

Date

Notifications

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SGOCE Dean Initials

Date

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Reviewed by the Registrar:

Date

Approval of the President

Date