



GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

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ACADEMIC PROPOSAL

Date Received by Committee Chair _____

- 1. Teacher Education Committee on (date submitted) 03/03/2005
2. Academic Affairs Committee on (date submitted) _____
3. Graduate Affairs on (date submitted) 03/03/2005

From (School/Department) School of Education

Signature of Unit Head [Signature]

Person to be Contacted David Hunter, Chair Curriculum/Program Functional Committee

Type of Action (check one): Addition, Deletion, Substantive Change, Submission for File, Other (please specify)

Action desired for (check one): Program, Course, Other (specify)
Course/Program Name and (for courses) Course Description and Hours Credit:

Ed.S. Early Childhood Program; Ed.S. Middle Grades Program

Brief Description of Proposal:

The proposal creates an alternative set of admission requirements for the Specialist Programs offered in the School of Education at GSW.

This section to be completed by appropriate Committee Chair (and Secretary of Faculty Senate):

Check Committee taking Action:

- (1) [X] Teacher Education Committee (2) [] Academic Affairs (3) [X] Graduate Affairs

Action taken by Committee: (Check One) [X] Approved [] Not Approved [] Tabled

Comments/Reasons for Non Approval or Tabling:

[Signature] 3/16/05

Signature of Chair [Signature] Date 3/9/05

Requires action of the Faculty Senate and Faculty? Yes or No (Check one)

Faculty Senate Action: Forwarded by the Senate to the Faculty (Check one):

- [X] With Endorsement [] Without Endorsement, or [] Remanded back to Committee

Signature of Secretary, Faculty Senate [Signature] Date 4/19/05

1. Will this proposal change the requirements for any degree program? If so, explain and attach existing and proposed program sheets with changes clearly marked.

Yes, it offers an option for individuals interested in pursuing their Specialist Degree at GSW, who have been successful within the University System of Georgia at the master's level.

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2. Is the proposed course/program recommended or required by an accrediting agency? Is so, explain.

No

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3. Is the proposed course/program substantially similar to an existing one in another GSW department or school? Is so, explain and justify.

No

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4. Justification and/or objectives for proposal (including relationship to GSW Strategic plan, if appropriate).

This change acknowledges the success of students in Master's programs as primary indicator of potential success in specialist programs at GSW School of Education.

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5. What additional resources will be required to implement the proposal? Faculty? Facilities? Equipment? Library holdings? Others?

none

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6. What impact will this proposal have on other courses, programs, departments, schools, or units?

none

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7. Anticipated start date: Fall 2005

8. Estimated number of students enrolled first semester: NA Enrolled on a continuing basis _____

9. Required attachments for this proposal:

- a. Course outlines must include the course number, course title, course description for the Bulletin (followed by credit hour designations including lab hours, if appropriate), course content, and learning objectives for the course. A suggested text and a bibliography may be included as well.
- b. Proposals for new degree must include a curriculum sheet.
- c. Proposals for changes in degree programs must include existing and proposed curriculum sheets with changes clearly marked.

TO: dck@gsw.edu

Proposal for Change in Admission to the Specialist Programs (ECE and Middle Grades)

- 1) Master's degree from an accredited college or university in the same field as the Ed.S. program to which the applicant is seeking admission. Consideration may be given to applicants who have an undergraduate major or 21-27 semester hours in approved courses in the planned graduate field of study.
- (2) Eligibility for Georgia T-5 teaching certificate in the same field.
- (3) 3.25 overall Graduate GPA.
- (4) 3 years acceptable teaching experience.
- (5) A minimum score of 48 on the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) or a total of 900 on the verbal and quantitative subtests of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- (6) Three letters of recommendation.

or

- (1) Master's degree from a University System of Georgia institution within the last 5 years in the same field,
- (2) a 3.5 overall Graduate GPA,
- (3) a current Georgia T-5 certificate in the same field.*

*All other requirements waived.