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**DISCONTINUANCE OF THE MASTER OF EDUCATION IN CAREER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION
IN THE TEACHER EDUCATION DIVISION OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

Recommendation

The College of Education recommends that the Board discontinue the Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a major in Career and Technical Education effective the winter term, 2018.

Program Description

The M.Ed. in Career and Technical Education program is one of the routes by which occupational teachers holding an interim occupational or a provisional teaching certificate meet the academic requirements for the professional/occupational educator certificate. These graduate programs are for teachers and other professionals interested in furthering their knowledge and skills, providing them with additional content and pedagogical knowledge.

Rationale

The discontinued program will be added as a concentration to the M.Ed. with a major of Teaching and Learning. This change is made to unify the master's programs in Teacher Education with common goals and learning outcomes under the umbrella of "teaching and learning" and to create a more robust and diverse learning experience for students by drawing upon the varied expertise and experiences of the faculty and student body. In addition, this change would increase the division's efficiency in the coding of program areas, as well as advising and support activities for its students.

Accommodation of Current Students

All current students in the discontinued major will be moved into the appropriate concentration in the major of Teaching and Learning.

Approvals

The proposal was approved by the faculty of the College of Education, Dean of the College of Education, the Graduate Council, the Dean of the Graduate School and the Provost.