DISCONTINUANCE OF THE BRIDGE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Recommendation
It is recommended that the Board of Governors discontinue the Bridge Graduate Certificate in Educational Technology effective, effective Fall term, 2018.

Background
The Bridge Graduate Certificate in Educational Technology (BGC-ET) was established in Fall 2012 and included the courses necessary to earn the Educational Technology (NP) endorsement to the Michigan Teaching Certificate. Teachers with this endorsement often were in leadership roles in selecting, planning, developing, implementing and evaluating technology applications in teaching and learning process.

The Bridge certificate has no enrolled students and only one student was awarded the certificate. Students enrolled in the BGC-ET were typically existing students that added the certificate program to their current degree program.

Program Description
The Learning Design and Technology program in the Administrative and Organizational Studies division in the College of Education has provided the administrative home for certificate program. The BGC-ET required 18 credit hours of coursework. The certificate was designed to be completed in three semesters. The program had to be completed within three years.

Approvals
The discontinuance of this certificate program has been approved by the Learning Design and Technology program in the Division of Administrative and Organizational Studies, the College of Education Assembly, Dean of the College of Education, the Graduate Council, the Dean of the Graduate School, and the Provost.