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## **ESTABLISHMENT OF A MASTER OF SCIENCE WITH A MAJOR IN COMMUNITY HEALTH**

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish a new degree program, the Master of Science with a major in Community Health in the College of Education, effective Fall 2020.

### **Background**

The Master of Education with a major in Health Education and a concentration in community health will be transitioned into a Master of Science with a major in Community Health. The change to the degree type and major name is in keeping with increasing emphasis on professional degree orientation in similar programs, and it reflects current trends at peer universities, such as University of Cincinnati that has a Master of Science in Community Health. There will be no curriculum changes and no students will be impacted: Students either will complete their existing program or be moved into the new program as majors in community health instead of majors in health education with a concentration in community health.

### **Approvals**

The proposal was approved by the Division of Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies, the College of Education Assembly, Dean of the College of Education, the Graduate Council, Dean of the Graduate School and the Provost.