University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) changed the terminology for Learning Disabilities to Specific Learning Disabilities and the terminology for Cognitive Disabilities to Intellectual Disabilities. The Department of Special Education (SPED) is proposing name changes in the certificate that will also align to the name of the teaching license.

From: Cognitive Disabilities (CD) 1-12, certificate: Program code (950-601)
To: Intellectual Disabilities (ID) 1-12, certificate: Program code (950-xxx).

This request only impacts the certificate name and there is no change in certificate requirements.

Points Discussed by Committee:
No changes in requirements and this simply brings certificate name into agreement with DPI licensure.

Pros of Recommendation:
Uses generally accepted language that is consistent with State DPI license.

Cons of Recommendation:
None

Technology/Human Resource Impact:
None

Committee Recommendation:
Change the name of the SPED certificate shown below:

From: Cognitive Disabilities (CD) 1-12, certificate: Program code (950-601)
To: Intellectual Disabilities (ID) 1-12, certificate: Program code (950-xxx).
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by a vote of ___6___ for to ___0___ against on December 6, 2016 (Date)

Recommends that,

The Department of Special Education change the names of the following certificate:

From: Cognitive Disabilities (CD) 1-12, certificate: Program code (950-601)
To: Intellectual Disabilities (ID) 1-12, certificate: Program code (950-xxx).

Implementation Date: 17/18 catalog

Signed: _______________________________________
       Chair of the Committee

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