REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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 major that will also align the name of the teaching license with the name of the major emphases as shown below:

A. From: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SPECIAL EDUCATION, Learning Disabilities and Cognitive Disabilities (program code: 950-009)
   To: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SPECIAL EDUCATION, Specific Learning Disabilities and Intellectual Disabilities (950-XXX)

B. From: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SPECIAL EDUCATION, Learning Disabilities and Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence Regular Education (program code: 950-067)
   To: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SPECIAL EDUCATION, Specific Learning Disabilities and Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence Regular Education (950-XXX).

These requests only impact the program name and there are no changes in program requirements.

Points Discussed by Committee:
No changes in requirements and this simply brings program names 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 names of existing SPED Comprehensive Majors as shown below:

A. From: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SPECIAL EDUCATION, Learning Disabilities and Cognitive Disabilities (program code: 950-009)
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MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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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 two comprehensive majors:

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Learning Disabilities and Cognitive Disabilities (program code: 950-009)
To: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR: SPECIAL EDUCATION,
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Specific Learning Disabilities and Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence Regular Education (950-XXX).

Implementation Date: 17/18 catalog

Signed: _______________________________________
   Chair of the Committee

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