

**TO:** Academic Policies Committee

**FROM:** College of Education and Human Sciences

**DATE:** December 6, 2019

**RE:** Rename Emphasis

We request that you consider placing this curricular item on your earliest possible agenda.

Name of Program: Special Education, Specific Learning Disabilities and Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence, Comprehensive Major

Program Code 950-069

Date of Department/Program Approval — November 4, 2019 (Motion passed unanimously)

Date of CoEHS Curriculum Committee Approval – November 15, 2019 (Motion passed 4-0-1)

Date of CoEHS College Approval – December 6, 2019

**From Current Catalog Web Page:**

<https://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/education-human-sciences/special-education/special-education-comprehensive-major-specific-learning-disabilities-middle-childhood-through-early-adolescence-regular-education-bs/>

**To:** **Rename:** Special Education, Unified Special Education K-12 & Elementary/Middle, Comprehensive Major

**Rationale:** The change of the program name aligns with the inclusive philosophy of the department and contemporary practices in PK-12 schools where all children are educated in neighborhood schools and where the learning needs of all children are addressed within regular education environments and supported through special education services. The Department believes that the proposed name of the program is informative and allows prospective students and majors to understand that as program completers, they will be prepared to teach all children, regardless of ability,

disability, or first language, in inclusive, co-teaching, and specialized educational settings grades K-9 and in special and/or inclusive education content classes K-12.