

TO: **Academic Policies Committee**

FROM: College of Education and Human Sciences

DATE: December 6, 2019

RE: Eliminate Minor

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

Name of Program: Minor: Sociology, Teaching

Program Code 480-404

Date of Department/Program Approval — October 31, 2019

Date of CoEHS Curriculum Committee Approval – December 6, 2019

Date of CoEHS College Approval – December 6, 2019

From Current Catalog Web Page: <https://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology/sociology-minor-eaat/sociology-minor-eaat>

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Rationale: Effective August 1, 2018, The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) changed the rules for teacher licensure. The revised rules changed the specific subject licenses (history, political science, geography, economics, sociology) in social studies to a broad license in social studies that should include all subject areas. In other words, we will be preparing education students to teach ALL subject areas within a comprehensive social studies major. Therefore, specific subject area licenses are no longer needed. Students who are currently enrolled in this program will be able to complete it and be eligible for licensure endorsement.