

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

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

The College of Education and Human Sciences requests the elimination of the Geography, Teaching minor (Code 140-413).

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. Therefore, specific subject area licenses are no longer needed.

Points Discussed by Committee:

1. Elimination of the specific subject area licenses resulted from the new Social Studies Teaching, History Emphasis, Comprehensive Major (Code XXX-XXX) that was approved by University Senate during the Fall 2019 semester.

Pros of Recommendation:

Change aligns with Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) requirements that went into effect August 2018.

Cons of Recommendation:

none

Technology/Human Resource Impact:

None

Committee Recommendation:

The committee approved the elimination of the Geography, Teaching minor (Code 140-413).

MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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by a vote of 6 for to 0 against on March 10, 2020 (Date)

Recommends that:

The elimination of the Geography, Teaching minor (Code 140-413), starting 2020-2021 AY.

Implementation Date: 20/21 catalog

Signed: _____
Chair of the Committee

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