

Elimination: Multiple Science Majors and Minors
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 following majors and minors:

1. Biology-Teaching Major (code 080-205)
2. Biology-Teaching Minor (code 080-403)
3. Physics-Teaching Major (code 230-206)
4. Physics-Teaching Minor (code 230-403)
5. Chemistry-Teaching Major (code 100-204)
6. Chemistry-Teaching Minor (code 100-406)
7. Physics-Mathematics, Mathematics Emphasis-Teaching (code 210-004)
8. Physics-Mathematics, Physics Emphasis-Teaching (code 210-003)

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 (biology, chemistry, geology, physics, physical science) in science to a broad license in science 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 rename Science Teaching, Comprehensive Major (Code 240-004) that was approved by University Senate earlier this 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 following majors and minors:

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MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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by a vote of 7 for to 0 against on March 17, 2020 (Date)

Recommends that:

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Implementation Date: 20/21 catalog

Signed: _____
Chair of the Committee

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