



## Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee

**PROPOSAL TITLE:** Discontinue the Minor in the Teaching of Mathematics, Grades 6-8, in the Department of Mathematics, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.

**SPONSOR:** Randy McCarthy, Professor of Mathematics, 244-7310, [rmmcrthy@illinois.edu](mailto:rmmcrthy@illinois.edu)

**COLLEGE CONTACT:** Karen Carney, Associate Dean, 333-1350, [carney@illinois.edu](mailto:carney@illinois.edu)

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** We request the termination of this minor.

**JUSTIFICATION:** This minor was created to allow the addition of a math specialization for students becoming licensed to teach middle school with a primary license in an area other than mathematics. It covered and strengthened the requirements for a middle grades math endorsement, pursued by students in Elementary Education, Secondary Education in majors other than Mathematics, Music Education, and Physical Education. Due to changes by the Illinois State Board of Education in the licensure system, it is no longer possible to become licensed to teach middle school except via a middle grades teaching major that covers the content of this minor. Thus there is no longer an audience for this minor.

### **BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

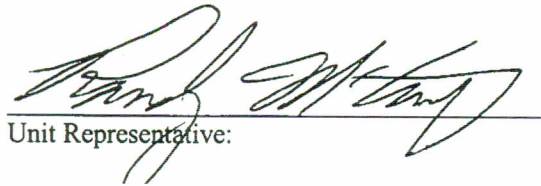
- 1) Resources: There are no financial implications, as the number of students pursuing this minor is likely to be equaled by the number of students in the new Middle Grades teaching program.
- 2) Resource Implications: There are no resource implications, as the number of students pursuing this minor is likely to be equaled by the number of students in the new Middle Grades teaching program.

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Fall 2017

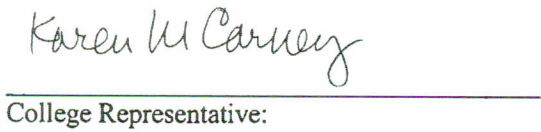
**STATEMENT FOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY CATALOG:** Students graduating after May 2017 may not earn the Minor in Teaching of Mathematics, Grades 6-8.

**CLEARANCES:**

Signatures:

  
Unit Representative:

11/6/2015  
Date:

  
College Representative:

1-28-16  
Date:

  
Council on Teacher Education Representative:

1/29/16  
Date:

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February 1, 2016

Bettina Francis, Chair  
Senate Committee on Educational Policy  
Office of the Senate  
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Francis:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to discontinue the minor in the Teaching of Mathematics, Grades 6-8.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kathryn A. Martensen'.

Kathryn A. Martensen  
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c: A. Elli  
K. Carney  
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January 28, 2016

Brenda Clevenger  
Council on Teacher Education  
505 E. Green, Suite 203 MC-425

Dear Brenda:

The Committee on Courses and Curricula on behalf of the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has voted to approve the following proposal:

**Discontinue the Minor in the Teaching of Mathematics, Grades 6-8**

This proposal is now ready for review by the Council on Teacher Education for proposed implementation Fall 2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen M. Carney".

Karen M. Carney  
Associate Dean

enclosure

C: Professor Randy McCarthy  
Ms. Lori Davis