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STANDARD GRADUATE MINOR APPROVAL FORM

Title of the proposed minor: Graduate Minor in College Teaching

Sponsoring unit(s): Department of Educational Organization and Leadership

Date: January 20, 2008

Provide a brief description of the program of study. In particular, please explain how the proposed graduate minor requires some depth in the subject, but not as extensive as the requirements of the major.

The Department of Educational Organization (EOL) offers a Graduate Minor (12 graduate hours) to graduate students in good standing at UIUC.

The Graduate Minor in College Teaching provides students with opportunities to explore research on and practices of teaching and learning in postsecondary educational settings. The minor supports disciplinary knowledge and engages current and future college teachers with pedagogical considerations, curricular design, and educational contexts through the examination of relevant scholarly literature. Special attention is paid to theories of and research on the learning and development of diverse students in multiple postsecondary educational settings. The minor builds on the strengths of a growing Higher Education program within the Department of Educational Organization and Leadership and incorporates the expertise of faculty affiliates' scholarship on teaching and learning. Students pursuing the graduate minor are expected to participate in larger departmental and related events, including those sponsored by the Higher Education Collaborative Seminars and the Higher Education Student Association.

Requirements:

4hrs EOL 572: The College Student 4hrs EOL 585: College Teaching*

4hrs One of the following four courses:

EOL 573: The Community College EOL 574: Diversity in Higher Education EOL 582: College Student Development EOL 586: Changing College Curriculum

12hrs Total

*Annually, the head of the Department of Educational Organization and Leadership (EOL) and Higher Education program coordinator will appoint an advisory committee made up of tenure-line faculty affiliated with campus units that deliver graduate courses offering disciplinary subject matter of college teaching. This group will be responsible for advising the Department of EOL on courses that are comparable to EOL 585, College Teaching, and that are appropriate to substitute this core course in the College Teaching Minor. This advisory group may also include campus administrative and support personnel who are actively engaged in matters related to student recruitment and advising pertaining to the College Teaching Minor.

Prerequisites for the minor:

No prerequisites are required, although teaching experience is preferred. Enrollment in the minor will be controlled through an admission process, as indicated below. Enrollment in courses will be managed through the addition of a second section of EOL 572 The College Student each academic year (as needed), the continued offering of EOL 585 College Teaching at least once per academic year, and the offering of a minimum of one additional relevant course per academic term (excluding summers).

Expected enrollment in the minor:

We expect between 5 and 10 new students to enroll in the minor each year, providing up to 15 students in the minor at any one time.

Admission to the minor:

Admission to the Graduate Minor in College Teaching will be overseen by the Program Coordinator of the Higher Education Program or her/his designee. Students in good standing in the UIUC Graduate College are eligible for admission. For full consideration, an interested student will submit a personal statement indicating interest, experience and perspective on teaching; three letters of recommendation; and statements of support from her/his advisor and graduate program director.

Minor adviser:

The advising of students in the Graduate Minor in College Teaching will be shared among the faculty in the Department of Educational Organization and Leadership. It will be coordinated by the Head of EOL in conjunction with the Higher Education Program Coordinator.

Certification of successful completion:

The Head of the Department of Educational Organization and Leadership will monitor completion of the Graduate Minor in College Teaching and Learning in conjunction with the Higher Education Program Coordinator.

Budgetary and staff implications:

- The minor will not require additional regular staff or outlays of significant additional funds.
- This minor is built around existing courses offered in the Department of Educational Organization and Leadership's Higher Education Program and will not require significant changes or restructuring of the program. One additional section of EOL 572: The College Student per year will be offered in conjunction with the minor as needed. This additional offering will also address existing demand for the course. This minor will also allow for more stable enrollments in existing EOL courses and provide the continued student demand to guarantee the offering of the courses on a regular basis.
- We do not anticipate significant affects on enrollments in other programs or departments. Each course in the program is regularly offered and currently draws student enrollments and interest from multiple graduate programs.
- We do not anticipate a significant affects on the library, computer system, etc. The Education and Social Science Library and the Main Library currently house relevant journals, books, and collections,

while other institutional libraries house works specific to disciplinary perspectives and pedagogical practices. The institution's computing resources should see no increases in usage.

Statement for the catalog: Provide a brief statement for the program catalog.

The Department of Educational Organization and Leadership (EOL) offers a Graduate Minor in College Teaching. The minor provides students with the opportunity to explore the scholarly literature on and practice of teaching and learning in postsecondary settings. Students in good standing in the UIUC Graduate College are eligible to apply for the minor. Accepted students will complete 12 graduate hours in EOL, including 4 hours each in EOL 572 The College Student and EOL 585 College Teaching. For additional information, please contact EOL.

CLEARANCES:
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Head/chair of the sponsoring department or unit Date
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Dean of the college of the sponsoring department or unit Date
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Dean of the Graduate College Date
Chair Senate Educational Policy Committee Date