

Notice of Change for School of Education: program and certification codes, grade span, and program consistency with State of Rhode Island educator licensure titles.

Date: 12/9/15

A. PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. Name of institution

University of Rhode Island

2. Name of department, division, school or college

Department: School of Education

College: College of Human Science and Services

3. Intended initiation date of program change. Include anticipated date for granting first degrees or certificates, if appropriate.

Initiation date: spring 2016

First degree date: spring 2016

4. Intended location of the program

School of Education

5. Summary description of proposed program (not to exceed 2 pages).

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6. Rationale

It is important that these changes be made to be consistent with current licensure requirement. These new titles (e.g., Sub-plan: Physical Education PK-12 ; Sub-plan: Health Education PK-12); must be accurately represented on students' transcripts or they will be prohibited from obtaining educator licensure. See appendix for "Change From" and to "Change To" titles.

If applicable, please include the existing URI catalog language and proposed catalog language changes that relate to your request.

7. Signature of the President

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Appendix

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Specifically:

1. Degree: Master of Arts in Special Education

Plan: Special Education

CHANGE from:

Sub-Plan: Elementary and Middle School

Sub-Plan: Secondary and Middle School

CHANGE to:

Sub-Plan: Special Education 1-6

Sub-Plan: Special Education 7-12

2. Health and Physical Education are separate certification areas and programs at URI.

Degree: Bachelor of Science and Masters of Arts in Education (MATCP)

CHANGE from:

Sub-plan: Physical and Health Education, Teacher Education Option K-12

CHANGE to:

Sub-plan: Physical Education PK-12

Sub-plan: Health Education PK-12

Full program changes follow:

I. Updates due to Changes in Rhode Island Teacher Certification Requirements:

Degree: Master of Arts in Special Education

Plan: Special Education

CHANGE from:

Sub-Plan: Elementary and Middle School

Sub-Plan: Secondary and Middle School

CHANGE to:

Sub-Plan: Special Education 1-6

Sub-Plan: Special Education 7-12

Degree: Bachelor of Arts

CHANGE from:

Plan: Secondary Education 7-12

CHANGE to:

Plan: World Language PK-12

CHANGE from:

Sub-Plan options: French 7-12, German 7-12, Italian 7-12, Latin 7-12, Mandarin Chinese 7-12, Russian 7-12, or Spanish 7-12

CHANGE to:

Sub-Plan options:

French PK-12

German PK-12

Italian PK-12

Latin PK-12

Mandarin Chinese PK-12

Russian PK-12

Spanish PK-12

Degree: Masters of Arts in Education (MATCP)

Change from:

Sub-plan: Secondary Foreign Language

Secondary Foreign Language in Secondary French [or other languages]

Change to:

Sub-Plan: World Languages

French PK-12 (see above for full list of sub-plan language options)

Degree: Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Education (MATCP)

Change from:

Sub-plan: Physical and Health Education, Teacher Education Option K-12

Change to:

Sub-plan: Physical Education PK-12

Sub-plan: Health Education PK-12

II. Inaccuracy in grade span: All Grades certificates were K-12; or had no designation; should be PK-12 (see below)

Degree: Masters of Library & Information Studies

Plan: Library and Information Studies

Change from:

Sub-Plan: School Library Media

Change to:

Sub-Plan: School Library Media PK-12

Degree: Master of Arts in Education

Plan: Education

CHANGE from:

Sub-Plan: Reading Specialist/Consultant K-12

CHANGE to:

Sub-Plan: Reading Specialist/Consultant PK-12