Master's in Educational Leadership Strand Proposal

<u>Proposal</u>: The Educational Leadership program would like to offer strands in our master's program.

Rationale for Change: As a result of recent changes to the state law, there has been a decline in master's programs across the School of Education and state. We currently serve about 12-14 master's students in educational leadership each year. Before we moved online, our numbers were even lower. By adding strands, the Educational Leadership Program is interested in making its program more innovative and attractive to a wider audience in order to attract more students to our program. Although the strands would not be listed on their transcripts, graduates could highlight the strands on their vitas.

PROPOSED MASTER'S PROGRAM (offered through an online, hybrid, or face-to-face delivery)

Core Courses (27 cr.)

- A500 Introduction to Educational Leadership
- A510 School-Community Relations
- A608 Legal Perspectives on Education
- A624 The Principalship K-12
- A635 Public School Budgeting and Accounting
- J500 Instruction in the Context of Curriculum
- A515 Teacher Development and Evaluation
- A695 Practicum in Educational Leadership
- A629 Data Informed Decision Making for School Leaders

Possible Strand Courses (9 cr.) (Note: Courses with asterisk * are not online yet.)

History/Foundations Strand (hybrid)

H504 History of American Education H520 Education and Social Issues *H540 Sociology of Education

HESA Strand (online)

U544 Introduction to Student Affairs Work in Higher Education C565 Introduction to College and University Administration U556 Applying Student Development Theory to Practice

Learning Sciences Strand (online)

P540 Learning and Cognition in Education P574 Topical Seminar – Learning Sciences P507 Educational Assessment

School Law Strand (online)

A615 Advanced School Law A675 Leadership in Special Education A720 Special Topics (Legal Research Methods)

Leadership in Educational Organizations Strand (online)

H504 History of American Education H520 Education and Social Issues A560 Politics of Education

Diverse Populations Strand (hybrid)

H504 History of American Education A675 Leadership in Special Education *H540 Sociology of Education

In the future we might consider creating a charter school strand and/or a non-profit strand and recruit teachers and leaders from Indiana charter schools. We might also allow students to propose other strands (e.g., special education, international comparative, technology, curriculum). If a student proposes another strand s/he would be responsible for learning when and where the courses are offered.

CURENT MASTER'S PROGRAM (offered through an online, hybrid, or face-to-face delivery)

Foundation Area (9 cr.)

- H504 History of American Education
- P507 or A629 Educational Assessment or Data Informed Decision Making for School Leaders
- P540 Learning and Cognition in Education

School Administration Track or Teacher Leadership Track (24 cr.)

You may choose to focus on either School Administration or Teacher Leadership in this program. The coursework for both tracks is the same, but the assignments and practicum experience will be tailored to fit the track that you choose.

- A500 Introduction to Educational Leadership
- A510 School-Community Relations
- A608 Legal Perspectives on Education
- A624 The Principalship K-12
- A635 Public School Budgeting and Accounting
- J500 Instruction in the Context of Curriculum
- A515 Teacher Development and Evaluation (Includes skills based on state teacher evaluation models)
- A695 Practicum in Educational Leadership

Electives (3 cr.)

• 3 Credit Education Graduate Course with grade of at least a B. In consultation with advisor, courses can also be taken in Kelley Business School, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, and Law School. A720, summer workshop, can also be taken.

Summary of Changes:

- 1. We removed the elective (generally students take A720 for the elective).
- 2. We placed H504 into other strands and included two other foundation courses that have not been offered to educational leadership students before.
- 3. We placed P540 into a strand with two other learning sciences courses.
- 4. We placed P507 into a strand with two other learning sciences courses.
- 5. We added several new strand options.