#### **GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

#### **BOARD OF VISITORS**

# Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community Committee Meeting Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

#### **AGENDA**

- L. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Academic Programs, Diversity and University Community Committee Minutes from September 17, 2024 (Action Item)
- III. New Business
  - A. Provost's Report (J. Antony)
  - B. The Use of Standardized Tests in Undergraduate Admissions (D. Burge)
  - C. Institutional Neutrality Discussion Updates (L. Burke, J. Antony)
  - D. Program Actions (Action Item)
    - 1. New Degree Programs
      - a. MEd in Elementary Education (CEHD)
      - b. MEd in Secondary Education (CEHD)
  - E. Faculty Actions (Action Items)
    - 1. Conferral of Emeritus/Emerita Status
  - F. Announcements
    - 1. Appointment of Faculty
    - 2. Appointment of Administrative and Professional Faculty
    - 3. Appointment & Reappointment of Deans, Department Chairs and School Directors
    - 4. Renewals and Reappointments
    - 5. Separations
    - 6. Other Announcements
    - 7. Summary Sheet- December 2024

#### IV. Adjournment

The November 19, 2024 meeting of the Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community Committee will be held in person. Gallery seating will be available in Merten Hall 1201 (Hazel Conference Room).

Written comments will be accepted until the full board meeting adjourns on December 5, 2024. To submit a written public comment, please complete the form at the following link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/9AcSrVQwiz">https://forms.office.com/r/9AcSrVQwiz</a>. Written comments will be entered into the public record of this meeting. No oral public comment will be taken at this meeting.

#### GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS

#### Academic Programs, Diversity, & University Community Committee

#### **MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair: Lindsey Burke; Visitors: Ken Marcus, Mike Meese, Nina Rees; Staff Representatives: Provost Jim Antony, Sharnnia Artis, Faculty Senate President: Solon Simmons; Staff Senate Chair: William Gautney; Faculty Representatives: Cameron Harris, Melissa Broeckelman-Post; Student Representatives: Maria Cuesta, Carolyn Faith Hoffman

ABSENT: Visitors: Nancy Prowitt, Jeff Rosen, Marc Short

**ALSO PRESENT:** Rector Stimson, President Washington; Visitors:

I. The meeting was called to order by Chair Lindsey Burke at 12:02 p.m.

#### II. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

It was **MOVED** by Chairperson Burke to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2024 APDUC Committee Meeting. Approval of the meeting minutes was unanimously approved with no changes or discussion.

#### III. New Business

#### A. Provost's Update

#### James Antony – Provost and Executive Vice President

Dr. James Antony, the new provost and executive vice president, began by highlighting his reasons for joining George Mason University, emphasizing its mission to broaden access to education and its rapid growth as a research institution. He shared insights from his first two months, where he has been actively listening and learning about the university's operations, programs, and budget. Key emerging priorities include streamlining faculty hiring, improving communication, and refining graduate education. Provost Antony welcomed Dr. Joshua Park as the new dean of the Mason Korea Campus and provided an update on the search for the next dean of the College of Science, with recruitment of candidates taking place now and in person interviews anticipated in the spring. Next Provost Antony provided an update on Just Societies and communicated his commitment to follow through with the plan that his predecessor began, which was outlined in a campus-wide note detailing the university's pause of any implementation of a requirement. Through this pause, the campus will engage in an assessment of the learning outcomes of all courses that are being offered that meet the intended Just Societies learning outcomes. He also offered an overview of one of the reports included in the materials on degrees awarded in the last academic year. He concluded his report with highlights of accomplishments by some of our students and faculty members.

#### **B.** Enrollment Update

David Burge – Vice President for Enrollment Management Alan Byrd – Dean of Admissions David Burge, vice president for enrollment management, and Alan Byrd, dean of Admissions, reported on admissions and enrollment for the fall 2024 semester. The enrollment report emphasized George Mason's growth trajectory, especially within Northern Virginia. The university is experiencing significant enrollment growth, with fall 2024 marking the largest first-year class in its history—over 4,500 students. The university now has over 29,000 undergraduates, 10,500 graduate students, and 650 law students, including those students enrolled at Mason Korea. He noted that while there is a nationwide decline in out-of-state master's students due to decreased international enrollment, instate master's enrollment has slightly increased. George Mason is one of five Virginia universities experiencing growth, driven by Northern Virginia. Enrollment targets are aligned with state obligations, with instances given where the university has increased enrollment for these reasons. Despite the national "enrollment cliff" challenge, George Mason's leadership remains optimistic due to projected increases in high school graduates in Northern Virginia, and continued growth is supported by SCHEV-approved plans.

Alan Byrd provided an overview of the Mason Ambassador programs and student tour information, highlighting the ongoing training and meetings that they receive and how the program is unique from other institutions.

#### C. Program Actions and Faculty Actions

Provost Antony provided an overview of both the Program Actions and Faculty Actions.

Chairperson Burke called for a **MOTION** to approve the Program Actions and Faculty Actions en bloc; Visitor Meese **MOVED**; Visitor Rees **SECONDED** the following program actions:

- 1. New Degree Programs
  - a. MS Behavior Analysis
  - b. PhD in Cyber Security Engineering
- 2. Conferral of Emeritus/Emerita Status

#### MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Yes - 4

Absent – Visitors: Nancy Prowitt, Jeff Rosen, Marc Short

#### D. Announcements and Reports

Announcements and reports were acknowledged for the Committee's benefit. It was noted that the Admissions & Student Profile Report will be added to the board materials in the post-committee meeting update to the materials. No further discussion was held.

#### IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Parnell Secretary Pro Tem



# Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community Committee Board of Visitors



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# **Action Item**

**Approval of Minutes** 

**September 17, 2024** 

# **Provost's Update**

James Antony, PhD

Provost and Executive Vice President



# Enrollment Overview Fall 2024



Undergraduate Enrollment: 29,009

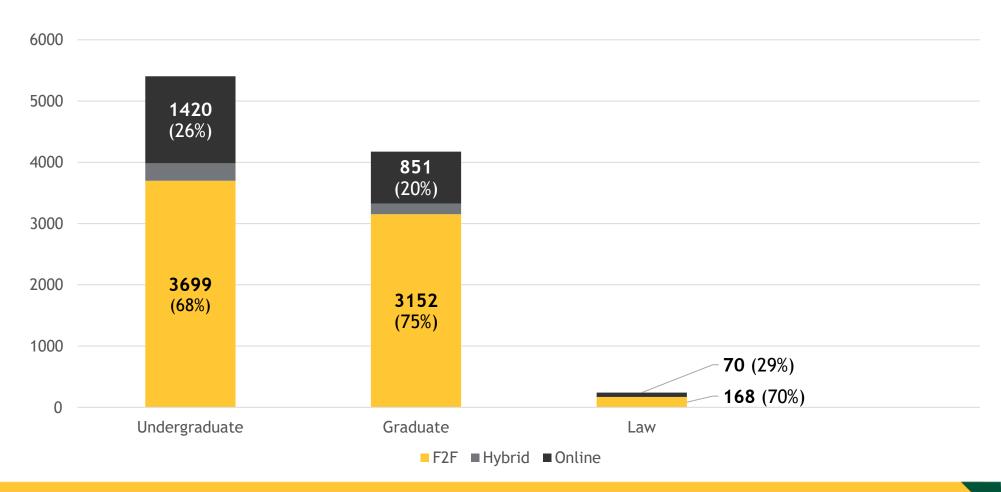
Graduate Enrollment: 10,772

Law Enrollment: 668

#### **New Student Numbers:**

- 4,551 New Freshmen
- 2,774 New Transfer
- **2,472** *New Masters*
- **363** New Doctorates
- 346 New Graduate Certificates
- 227 New JD

# Sections by Modality: Fall 2024



#### **Winter Graduation**



# Ceremony

- Thursday, December 19
- 9:30 a.m. EagleBank Arena
- Formal faculty procession, music, keynote speaker, etc.
- Doctoral student recognition



#### Degree Celebrations

- December 18, 4:30 p.m.
  - CEHD / CVPA / SCHAR / CARTER
- December 19:
  - o 2:00 p.m. COS / CPH / CHSS
  - o 6:30 p.m. CCB / CEC



# Winter Graduates<sup>\*</sup>

- 106 Doctoral Students
- 1,230 Graduate Students
- 1,921 Undergraduate Students
- 71 Law Students

<sup>\*</sup>Applied to graduate as of 11/06/24

## **Spring Academic Calendar**



Spring Semester

Tuesday, January 21 - Monday, May 5



Spring Recess

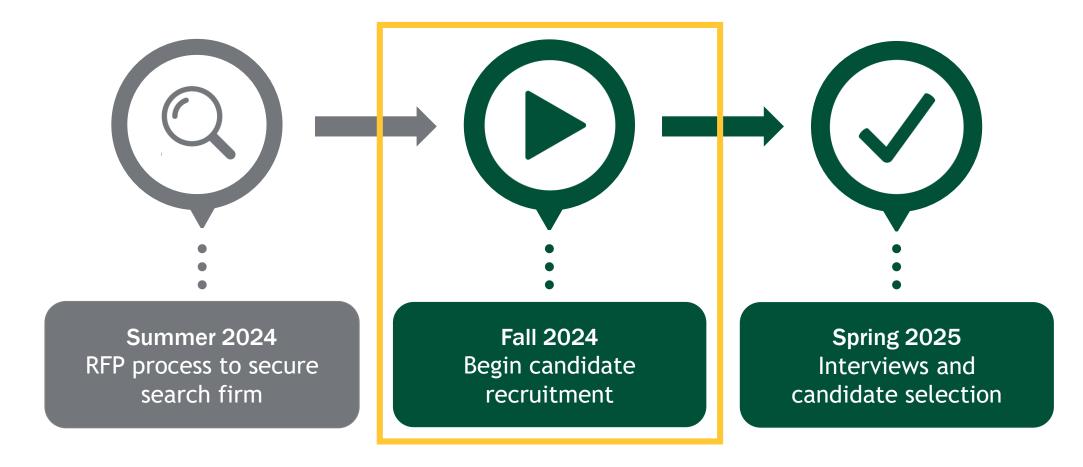
Monday, March 10 - Sunday, March 16



Spring Commencement Thursday, May 15



# **COS Dean Search Update**



# **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**



Amarda Shehu, Vice President and Chief Al Officer

Create a collaborative path forward

Form an inclusive AI Visioning Task Force

Perform a comprehensive landscape analysis

#### **Provost Priorities**



Communication



Research



**Budget Model Redesign** 

## **Budget Model Redesign: Engagement**

The Budget Model Redesign is a university-wide effort to improve alignment of resource allocation and incentivize progress toward key strategic goals.

#### **Committees**

- Executive Committee
- Cost of Space Workgroup
- Indirect Cost (IDC)
   Workgroup

#### Website

- Overview
- Timeline
- Governance and Committees
- FAQs
- Engagement Opportunities

**Inquiry Form** 

Submit questions, comments, and feedback

https://fiscal.gmu.edu/budget-modelredesign/

#### **Feedback Forums**

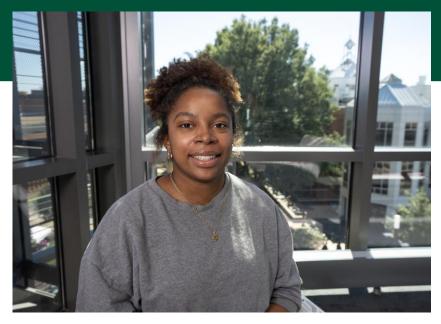
- Faculty Senate
- Staff Senate
- Deans' Council
- Executive Committee
- Way and Means
- University
   Information Network
- Department Chairs' Meeting

#### Provost's Critical Vacancies Review Prioritization

- Accelerated review (if budgeted):
  - Faculty and student-facing positions
  - Existing fully-funded and budgeted vacancies
  - Grant-funded direct charge positions
  - Philanthropic-funded positions

- Anything that requires new money is reviewed more carefully, with analysis of proposed funding sources and long-term sustainability of funding.
- Administrative positions that are similar across units will be examined for strategic priorities and alignment potential.

# **Student Highlights**



Jasmine Haskins
First recipient of the Bill Miller BFA Scholarship in Creative Writing



Samuel Best, Noah Korzak, and Tommy Chin Won first place in the Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD) Cyber Resiliency and Measurement Challenge

# **Faculty Highlights**

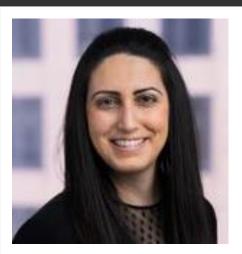
Schar School of Policy and Government



David Hart

Senior Fellow for
Climate and Energy at
the Council on Foreign

College of Humanities and Social Sciences



Yasemin Irvin-Erickson

ASC Division of
Victimology Faculty
Teacher of the Year

Schar School of Policy and Government



Jennifer Victor

2024 NCAPSA Pi Sigma
Alpha Award for
Undergraduate
Mentoring

## **SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award Nominations**



**Antonios Anastasopoulos** 

Computer Science, College of Engineering and Computing



**Christianne Esposito-Smythers** 

Psychology, College of Humanities and Social Sciences



Anna Evmenova

Special Education and disAbility Research, College of Education and Human

Development



Allison Redlich

Criminology, Law, and Society, College of Humanities and Social Sciences

# **Staff Highlights**



**Amir Hasan** Office Manager

Department of Statistics



**Isela Caballero**Communications Coordinator

Department of Health Administration and Policy



Katie Richards
Senior Graduate Program
Coordinator

Higher Education Program

# The Use of Standardized Tests in Undergraduate Admissions

David Burge Vice President for Enrollment Management



## Since Going Test Optional in 2007, George Mason Has...



# Increased Our Market

Every year, more Virginia high school graduates submit applications

18.4% of fall 2024 seniors



# Stronger Freshmen Profile

Standardized test scores

AND high school GPA median scores have increased



# **Improved Retention**

Other than COVID-19 stress, George Mason's retention has consistently been between 86.5% and 87.5%

Up from 83.5%

# How is the SAT Playing Out in Virginia?

2024 49,631 201961,182

CollegeBoard Suite of Assessments Annual Reports

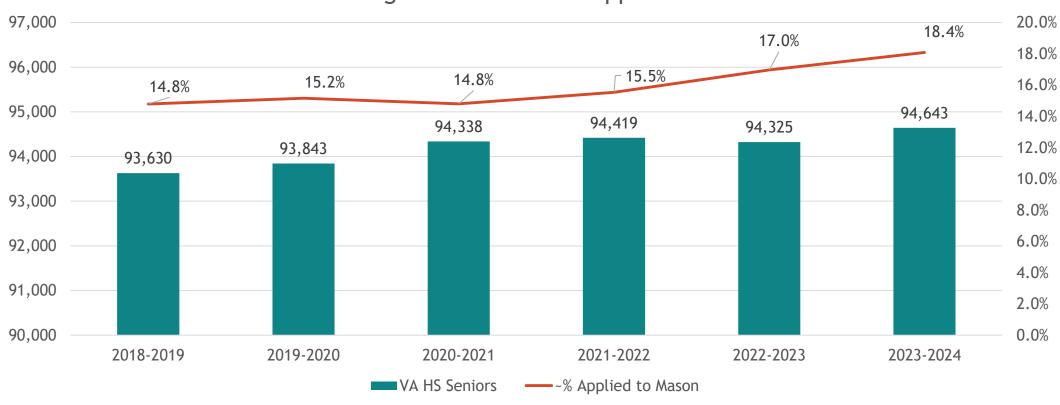
18.9% Decrease in the number of Virginia SAT test takers



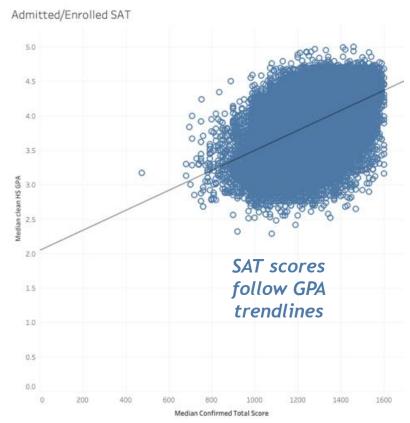
Institution Name	Current Testing Policy	Temporary?
Christopher Newport University	Test Optional	No
George Mason University	Test Optional	No
James Madison University	Test Optional	No
Longwood University	Test Optional	No
Old Dominion University	Test Optional	No
Radford University	Test Optional	No
University of Mary Washington	Test Optional	No
Virginia Commonwealth University	Test Optional	No
Virginia State University	Test Optional	Unannounced
William & Mary	Test Optional	No
Norfolk State University	Test Optional	Yes
University of Virginia-Main Campus	Test Optional	Yes
Virginia Military Institute	Test Optional	Yes
Virginia Tech	Test Optional	Yes

## George Mason Market Share of VA High School Graduates





# George Mason SAT Test Scores and GPA



Median of Confirmed Total Score vs. median of clean HS GPA. Details are shown for App G Number. The data is filtered on Valid High Total SAT, App Admit and App Enroll App. The Valid High Total SAT filter keeps Valid SAT. The App Admit filter keeps Y. The App Enroll App filter keeps N and Y.

# George Mason Freshman Profile

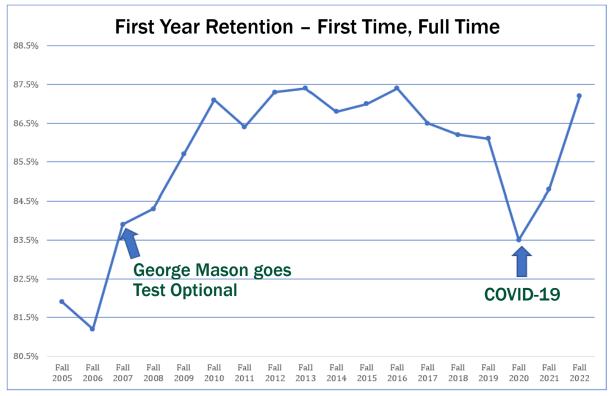
	Total # of Entering Freshmen	Total # w/ SAT	% w/ SAT	Median SAT	Median HS GPA
2006-07	2,435	2,356	96.8%	1100	3.36
2007-08	2,229	2,000	89.7%	1110	3.4
2008-09	2,549	2,101	82.4%	1110	3.4
2009-10	2,656	2,068	77.9%	1130	3.5
2010-11	2,601	2,089	80.3%	1140	3.56
2011-12	2,659	2,050	77.1%	1150	3.6
2012-13	2,696	2,058	76.3%	1150	3.6
2013-14	3,011	2,245	74.6%	1140	3.6
2014-15	3,091	2,236	72.3%	1140	3.64
2015-16	3,227	2,178	67.5%	1140	3.65
2016-17	3,219	2,114	65.7%	1150	3.64
2017-18	3,497	2,465	70.5%	1190	3.67
2018-19	3,720	2,627	70.6%	1210	3.47
2019-20	3,779	2,726	72.1%	1210	3.7
2020-21	3,577	2,438	68.2%	1190	3.7
2021-22	4,016	1,484	37.0%	1230	3.75
2022-23	4,156	1,565	37.7%	1240	3.76
2023-24	4,462	1,558	34.9%	1240	3.75
2024-25	4,498	838	18.6%	1260	3.75

SCHEV B10: Admissions First Time Freshman Profile



### Retention Since Moving to Test Optional in Freshmen Admissions

George Mason was one of the first institutions to make such a move



SCHEV RT02: 10-Year Retention Rates of First-time, Full-time Undergraduate

### The Freshmen Application Process



# **Most George Mason Majors**

- Official high school transcript
- Standardized test scores (optional)
- Essay (optional)
- Letters of recommendation (optional)



#### Honors College

- Required essay
- Resume or activity section of application
- Letters of recommendation encouraged



# **Engineering and Computing**

Pursue four years of math in high school <u>and</u> receive a B or higher in each course

OR

550 SAT or 24 ACT (math section)

# **Institutional Neutrality Discussion Updates**



# **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Program Actions**

### **New Degree Programs**

#### **MEd in Elementary Education**



College of Education and Human Development

#### **MEd in Secondary Education**



College of Education and Human Development

#### **Faculty Actions**

## **Conferral of Emeritus/Emerita Status**



Deborah Goodings CEC, 15 years of service



**David Hart** SCHAR, 20 years of service



Anthony Maiello CVPA, 38 years of service



Elizabeth Price CVPA, 30 years of service



Louise Shelley
SCHAR, 17 years of service



Glenn Smith CVPA, 46 years of service



Valeriu Soltan COS, 25 years of service

## **Action Items**

#### MOTION

To approve the following actions, en bloc, as they are outlined in the meeting materials:

- New Degree Programs
  - a. MEd in Elementary Education
  - b. MEd in Secondary Education
- Conferral of Emeritus/Emerita Status

#### **Announcements**

- Appointment of Faculty
- Appointment of Administrative and Professional Faculty
- Appointment and Reappointment of Deans, Department Chairs, and School Directors
- Renewals and Reappointments
- Separations
- Other Announcements
- Summary Sheet, December 2024



Adjournment PROVOST.GMU.EDU



**Subject:** Institutional Neutrality Discussion Invitation

Dear Faculty Senate Leaders/Deans/Student Leaders/Executive Council,

At its most recent meeting, the Board of Visitors raised the question of whether George Mason University should adopt the principles of the University of Chicago's *Report on the University's Role in Political and Social Action*, widely known as the <u>Kalven Report</u>. The BOV agreed this topic was worthy of robust discussion, and directed its committee on Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community (APDUC) to lead an inclusive conversation, with the goal of helping guide the BOV's consideration of the question. APDUC Chair, Visitor Lindsey Burke, and I would therefore like to host a series of conversations that allow us to hear from others, and to gather input.

Specifically, we would like to discuss the implications of institutional neutrality, as outlined in the Kalven Report, and hear what others believe might be the benefits and drawbacks of adopting such a stance. Perhaps others have ideas about alternative approaches or frameworks that also can be brought to bear on the question, and we would welcome hearing those, as well.

As a start, Visitor Burke and I would like to have a discussions with Deans, the Executive Committee of Faculty Senate, and with Student Government Leaders. In preparation for these discussions we are attaching several items to stimulate discussion:

- 1) A link to the Kalven Report
- 2) Mason's "When the University Speaks" document, shared by Paul Allvin (attached)
- 3) Faculty Senate's correspondence to President Washington on October 2, 2024 (attached)
- 4) President Washington's response to Faculty Senate on October 8, 2024 (attached)
- 5) Link(s) to articles

My office will reach out soon to schedule these discussions.

Jim



#### When the university speaks

When should George Mason University deploy its institutional voice, particularly via its president? Outside of pedestrian administrative announcements, there are times when university leaders may be called upon, or feel the need, to speak out on issues impacting the university. At all times, it strives to maintain strict impartiality.

#### When to consider a presidential message

Consideration begins with demand signals either from members of the community, or when events or dialogue on campus call for a message of clarification or de-escalation. When a leader – administrative, faculty, staff, or student – alerts the Office of the President, consideration begins, which starts with engaging the Office of University Branding, but usually widens to include representatives from other, relevant offices.

#### Four reasons to speak

Throughout the administration of President Gregory Washington, leadership has spoken out when events have arisen that impact the university community enough to merit a presidential voice to:

- Instruct At times, the university community must act in unison to respond to events in a
  particular way, such as the many COVID messages that President Washington issued to guide
  the campus through an uncertain and often frightening unknown. The voice of a leader was
  instructive in holding the shaken community together. Here is an example from August 10,
  2020.
- Explain Sense-making from the top leader can help to maintain productivity and a sense of normalcy in times of duress. When the US Supreme Court decision ending Affirmative Action in college admissions was issued, it was important to correct an inaccurate narrative spreading on campus, that the decision would deeply impact George Mason diversity. The inaccurate narrative could have deeply discouraged student applications. This <u>June 29, 2023</u> message explained how the landmark decision would (and would not) impact the university.
- <u>Console</u> The community can come together around events that are devastating, and a
  message from leadership may be very helpful to move the community along with offers of
  solace and help for those in crisis. This <u>January 30, 2023 message</u> acknowledged a string of
  violent episodes around the nation that were taking a collective toll on the well-being of
  campus community members, particularly students.
- <u>De-escalate</u> Volatile social conditions elsewhere may give way to volatile campus conditions
  that threaten campus safety and the ability to deliver on our mission without disruption.
  Heading off unrest and even violence was the goal of <a href="mailto:this May 1, 2024 message">this May 1, 2024 message</a> about
  campus safety measures used, as well as rules of engagement that must be observed, in light
  of the Israel-Hamas fighting.

In fact, most presidential messages address more than one of these conditions, but any one of them may be present to consider issuing such a message. Vetting of message drafts to determine if and what to issue occurs in collaboration with the Office of University Branding, the Office of the President, and whatever additional offices are relevant to the subject matter being addressed.



**President Gregory Washington** 

Office of the President George Mason University 4400 University Drive Fairfax, VA 22030 United States

October 2. 2024

Dear President Washington:

At the Board of Visitors meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup> 2024, we discussed the issue of adopting the principles of the 1967 Kalven Committee of the University of Chicago. There were a number of questions raised about what the adoption would mean for the university and the faculty were specifically invited to share our views on the matter.

The Executive Committee of Faculty Senate met on October 2 to discuss the issue and decided to initiate a process to develop what we would call "the Mason Way" to approach the issue of institutional neutrality. We are in agreement that a document produced over fifty years ago and under very different circumstances should be examined carefully before being adopted. We also plan to hold a formal debate on the issue in our October Faculty Senate meeting.

In preparation for the Senate debate on the issue, we request that you share your view on what adoption of the Kalven Committee principles would mean for the university.

Sincerely,

Solon Simmons
Solon Simmons

President of the Faculty Senate

George Mason University



#### GREGORY WASHINGTON, Ph.D.

Presiden

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October 8, 2024

Professor Solon Simmons
President of the Faculty Senate
George Mason University

**Dear Professor Simmons:** 

This is a direct response to your request for me to provide formal feedback on the concept of **Institutional Neutrality**. Towards that end, I will outline the arguments for and against our university adopting such an endeavor. I will also offer a final assessment of the direction we should consider as we move forward.

#### The definition:

It is important to define what we mean by "institutional neutrality," as each word in the phrase can be misconstrued:

"Institutional" – In question is not whether faculty or students should be free to speak out, but rather university leadership.

"Neutrality" – This word is being equated with silence, but the meaning – and I believe the true benefit of neutrality – is to refrain from taking sides on events outside of university business. Neutrality does not mean silence. In fact, in times of urgency or distress, university leadership must be able to speak to the impact of outside events that affect significant university populations or operations, while remaining neutral, in order to effectively lead what equates to a small city of students, faculty, staff, contractors, and campus visitors.

#### Arguments for institutional neutrality:

- Greater University Focus: The chance of the university being distracted by external political pressures
  will be reduced. This provides the institution with more time to focus on the pursuit of knowledge.
  Students from 114 countries attend George Mason University. If the leadership spends a significant
  amount of time addressing the challenges of just a fraction, it can be a huge distraction.
- 2. Simpler Management Environment: The world in which we live is incredibly polarized from a political standpoint and as such any stance the institution takes, whether neutral or not, will be upsetting to some group complicating the management environment of the leadership team.
- 3. Support of Individual Freedom and Responsibility: Neutrality encourages students, faculty and staff to exercise their freedoms independent of university influence. This encourages personal responsibility for one's actions.

#### Arguments against institutional neutrality:

1. Limitations on addressing institutional values: While the original version of the Kalven report expressly allows for an institution to engage when its core institutional values or academic freedom is threatened, adaptations of the report remove or underemphasize this exception. Should an institution be silent even when its core tenets, ideals and values are threatened?

- 2. The current process is occurring within a politically polarized moment: Institutional neutrality since its inception has been politically divisive. Early adoption of neutrality by many institutions followed pressure from faculty, staff and students at those institutions to officially support the Civil Rights movement or not support the Vietnam War. Most institutions who have adopted neutrality over the last few years have done so via pressure or outright requirements from state leaders who have politicized the issue. Any acceptance of a process that is itself political for the express purpose of avoiding politics should invoke a heavy amount of skepticism.
- 3. Perceived Indifference: When institutional neutrality becomes silence on issues of social or political import, it can make the university project indifference to those in need of its help, support, and sense of belonging in an environment they find suddenly threatening. This projection of indifference, whether perceived or actual, can be perceived as a lack of support to the students, faculty, and staff who are affected by them. For those from marginalized groups this can lead to feelings of institutional abandonment, or even hostility, which in turn can do lasting damage to employee and student recruitment and retention, alumni engagement, and private donor support.
- 4. *Missed Opportunities for Responsibility and Leadership:* In today's environment, institutions are expected to have significant social and cultural influence, and many argue that they have the responsibility to take a leadership role in addressing societal challenges in times of moral urgency.

#### My Assessment:

The original Kalven Committee report's principle of neutrality was developed for a specific type of institution at a specific time in our nation's development. George Mason University is simply a different institution. For example, private institutions don't have to abide by the First Amendment and some other parts of the Constitution in the way public universities must. Thus, they may need an additional set of principles that protect their faculty and students relative to free inquiry and expression. Private Institutions are often beholden to their trustees and benefactors. Large Public Institutions are beholden to the citizens of the states that support them and that's a broader more complex responsibility. I can't imagine this institution with its focus on upward mobility and inclusivity not addressing the institutional impact of atrocities surrounding the Israel-Gaza war or the death of George Floyd. Both had profound effects on campus life and operations. Students sought out our support services. They sought out guidance on how they can express themselves within the guardrails of laws and university policies. They sought out a greater understanding of what is unfolding, and a stronger support system than what was available to them when they left home to join our community. As an educational family, we have collectively accepted and embraced these responsibilities not from a platform of indoctrination, but from a platform of neutrality and its paying huge dividends for our students.

Thus, my assessment is that we should adhere to – and have adhered to – neutrality for social and political issues that affect our campus without being silent about their impacts on university life. Our core values describe a standard that can be utilized to determine when university leadership should speak and when it should not. I also agree with the original assertion of the Kalven Committee that an institution can't be silent when our core institutional values or academic freedom are threatened. Towards that end, we need a modified philosophy that incorporates who we are: A large, diverse and inclusive institution dedicated to both free inquiry and inclusivity. We thus need a set of "Mason Principles" as you have so eloquently described it. I

believe that we (the faculty, staff, students, administration and the board of visitors) can develop such a framework and that it can be a model for similar institutions nationally.

Sincerely

**Gregory Washington** 

GW/sg

#### **ITEM NUMBER:**

Master of Education (MEd) in Elementary Education Degree Program Proposal

#### **PURPOSE OF ITEM:**

The MEd in Elementary Education degree program proposal is in development for submission to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) for Fall 2025. Prior to SCHEV submission, Board action is required.

#### **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE:**

Academic Programs, Diversity and University Community Committee

#### **BRIEF NARRATIVE:**

The MEd in Elementary Education degree program proposal has been prepared according to specialized SCHEV guidance to promote the development of new licensure-qualifying degree programs by Virginia public higher education institutions that will contribute to alleviating shortages of licensed personnel in Virginia's school districts.

The proposed degree program will prepare educators who are responsive to the needs of PK-6 learners. Through course and field-based experiences, students will acquire the professional and pedagogical knowledge and skills necessary for creating developmentally appropriate classroom communities that support all learners in grades PK-6. Students will learn to plan and implement engaging, differentiated instruction that meets the diverse social-emotional, cognitive, linguistic, and physical needs of elementary learners.

Through the proposed MEd, students will acquire an understanding of critical concepts and principles of elementary education. Students will learn to create safe and equitable learning environments. Students will develop a robust understanding of learners as a foundation for planning, instruction, and management. Students will learn how educators collaborate with families, students, and colleagues. Students will enact the ethical and professional responsibilities required of PK-6 teachers.

The curriculum for the proposed degree program has been designed to meet Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) licensure standards for Elementary Education. The proposed program fulfills accreditation standards for initial preparation programs outlined by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

#### **REVENUE IMPLICATIONS:**

The MEd in Elementary Education program will be revenue neutral. All courses required for the degree currently exist as part of the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction, concentration in Elementary Education.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Board approval.

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## <u>Description of Proposed Program</u>

#### **Program Background**

George Mason University seeks approval for a Master of Education (MEd) degree program in Elementary Education. The proposed degree program will be administered by the College of Education and Human Development, School of Education. The anticipated initiation date is Fall 2025.

First opening in 1957 as the Northern Virginia branch of the University of Virginia, George Mason University was established as an independent four-year, degree-granting institution in 1972. Since its inception the University has offered teacher preparation degree programs. Currently, the College of Education and Human Development's School of Education has more than 2,500 students enrolled. Degree offerings in teacher preparation include undergraduate and graduate pathways to more than 30 different licensure and endorsement areas in Virginia.

To identify the proposed MEd degree program as appropriate for submission, the College of Education and Human Development examined degree programs that would address critical shortages in teaching endorsement areas in Virginia as identified by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). Data from market studies, professional organizations, and considerations of legislative changes were also used to determine new degree programs. The proposed MEd degree program in Elementary Education provides pathways for Virginia licensure in Elementary Education, PreK-6. The proposed degree program will address the 2024-2025 top critical shortage teaching endorsement area identified by the Virginia Department of Education: Elementary Education, PreK-6.<sup>2</sup> Critical shortages have consistently been identified for this teaching endorsement area since the 2005-2006 school year.

Elementary education is key to a child's intellectual and social development. There is a critical demand for the preparation of individuals to assume teaching elementary aged students. Currently, George Mason University offers two pathways to licensure for Elementary Education. Students can earn a Master of Education (MEd) degree in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Elementary Education, or students can earn a Bachelor of Science in Education (BSEd) degree in Elementary Education. The proposed degree program will expand the existing concentration from the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction degree program into a stand-alone MEd degree program in order to address the demand for licensed educators in grades PK-6.

#### Accreditation

The proposed MEd in Elementary Education will be accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). CAEP is a professional accreditor for education

<sup>1</sup> Virginia Department of Education. (n.d.) Commonwealth of Virginia critical shortage teaching endorsement areas for 2023-2024 school year. <a href="https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment/teaching-in-virginia/education-workforce-data-reports">https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment/teaching-in-virginia/education-workforce-data-reports</a>. www.doe.virginia.gov.docx (live.com)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Virginia Department of Education. (n.d.) *Critical Teaching Shortage Areas in Virginia, 2024-2025 Critical Teaching Shortage Areas.* Accessed at: https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment/teaching-in-virginia/education-workforce-data-reports

preparation providers. The CAEP accreditation process ensures educator preparation providers whose programs lead to certification, licensure, or endorsement meet demanding standards for the preparation of educators and other professional school personnel. Through standards that focus on systematic assessment of candidate learning, CAEP encourages accredited institutions to engage in continuous improvement based on accurate and consistent data.

George Mason University's existing Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum and Instruction degree program with a concentration in Elementary Education is presently accredited by CAEP through Spring 2026. George Mason University will comply with the following re-accreditation timeline:

February 2025 Submit self-study document
October 2025 Site visit by accreditation team

April 2026 Decision rendered about accreditation status

## State Licensing Agency Virginia Department of Education

The proposed MEd degree program in Elementary Education is required to meet the biennial measures prescribed by the Virginia State Board of Education. The Virginia Department of Education provides detailed and specific information for meeting the standards and competencies expected of Virginia's educators in their respective disciplines. The requirements are extensive, and all educator preparation programs must meet all the licensure regulations, professional studies, and endorsement requirements for each discipline/teaching area to be approved to offer Educator Preparation Programs.

The existing Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum and Instruction, concentration in Elementary Education is designed to meet the Virginia Department of Education standards and regulations. In 2021, George Mason University submitted its biennial report for 2019-2021, which evaluates all educator preparation programs offered by the University. The Virginia Department of Education approved the existing concentration in Elementary Education in this report. The biennial report for 2021-2023 was submitted in fall 2023. The next report to address 2023-2025 will be submitted to the Virginia Department of Education in fall 2025.

#### **Admission Criteria**

All students will be required to fulfill the graduate admission requirements of the University. Applicants must:

- Complete an online Application for Graduate Study.
- Pay a nonrefundable application fee or receive a fee waiver.
- Have earned a baccalaureate from an institution of higher education accredited by a Mason-recognized U.S. institutional accrediting agency, or international equivalent, with verified official transcripts.
- Have a minimum 3.00 GPA on a 4.00 scale in baccalaureate study.
- Submit official transcripts from all institutions attended for each program applied to unless the programs are in the same college or school.

- Submit a goals statement.
- Submit two letters of recommendation as required by the program.
- Submit an application for Virginia In-State Tuition Rates, if claiming entitlement to these rates.

The College of Education and Human Development will require applicants to the proposed degree program to satisfy additional requirements. Applicants must:

• Submit a resume.

Applicants who have not earned a baccalaureate or graduate degree in the U.S. must submit:

- Applicants who have not earned a baccalaureate or graduate degree in the U.S. must submit:
- Official English translations of all diplomas, certificates, and transcripts that are not already in English. Also, documents from foreign institutions must meet the university's guidelines for international transcript submission.
- Documents required to receive the Form I-20 can be submitted with the application and fee or after an admission decision has been received. Those required documents are:
  - o A Certificate of Financial Responsibility (CFR)
  - o Financial support documents
  - Copy of passport identification page
  - o For those present in the United States, copies of immigration documents verifying current nonimmigrant status
- Proof of English proficiency: either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) academic exam, or the Pearson Tests of English (PTE) meeting the minimum requirements:
  - o TOEFL: 88 points total and a minimum of 20 points in each section
  - o IELTS: 7.0 and 6.5 each subsection
  - o PTE: 67 overall score
  - o Duolingo English Test: 120 (accepted through 2024)
  - o INTO Mason Academic English Test: 7

#### Curriculum

The proposed MEd degree program in Elementary Education will require 39 credit hours. An internship course is required.

The curriculum of the proposed degree program focuses on preparing and enhancing elementary educators' professional and pedagogical knowledge and skill in creating engaging and differentiated classroom communities. The core coursework integrates evidence-based recommended practices to support all learners in grades PK-6. Students will learn to engage diverse learners in developmentally appropriate and disciplinary specific ways to support children's social-emotional, cognitive, linguistic, and physical development. Students will develop pedagogical and assessment knowledge and skills to provide differentiated and equitable learning experiences for children in grades PK-6. The curriculum emphasizes the students' responsibility to provide effective, differentiated instructional experiences for ability-diverse and culturally diverse students.

The core curriculum has been designed to meet Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) licensure standards for Elementary Educators (PK-6). The proposed program also fulfills accreditation standards for initial preparation programs outlined by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). Coursework meets the professional standards articulated by the Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC).

No new courses were developed for the proposed degree program.

## **Program Requirements**

#### **Core Courses: 36 credits**

ELED 542: Foundations of Elementary Education (3 credits)

ELED 543: Children, Family, Culture, and Schools, ages 4-12 Years (3 credits)

ELED 544: Introduction to Elementary Methods and Management (3 credits)

ELED 545: Differentiating Elementary Methods and Management (3 credits)

ELED 552: Mathematics Methods for the Elementary Classroom (3 credits)

ELED 553: Science Methods for the Elementary Classroom (3 credits)

ELED 554: Methods of Teaching Social Studies and Integrating Fine Arts in the Elementary Classroom (3 credits)

ELED 555: Literacy Teaching and Learning in Diverse Elementary Classrooms I (3 credits)

ELED 556: Literacy Teaching and Learning in Diverse Elementary Classrooms II (3 credits)

ELED 559: Research and Assessment in Elementary Education (3 credits)

ELED 790: Internship in Elementary Education (1-6 credits)

#### **Elective Courses: 3 credits**

Students select from a list of courses.

EDSE 501: Introduction to Special Education (3 credits)

EDUC 537: Introduction to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Learners (3 credits)

ELED 558: Cambridge Schools Experience (3 credits)

ELED 790: Internship in Elementary Education (1-6 credits)

#### **Total credit hours: 39**

#### Internship Requirement

Students in programs leading to licensure are required to take a supervised internship course in which they will complete a minimum of 10 weeks supervised experience. In the MEd in Elementary Education, students will complete ELED 790 per VDOE requirements. Students must document a minimum of 300 clock hours of direct teaching experience with students in endorsement area. Six (6) credits of ELED 790 are required for licensure. Year-long internship students must register for three (3) credits in the fall semester and six (6) credits in the spring semester. Semester-long internship students must register for six (6) credits during their internship and complete three (3) credits of elective coursework. Throughout the internship, the student will be evaluated based on observations of instruction and assignments using standardized rubrics. Students will be required to maintain a log to track their instructional hours. Students will be assessed on completion of online modules, maintaining a reflection journal, formal internship meetings, and observations by the University Supervisor. If students do not

successfully complete all hours or assignments, they may be required to repeat the internship. If a student fails the internship course, students will be given an opportunity to retake the course at an alternative location.

See Appendix A for Sample Plans of Study. See Appendix B for Course Descriptions.

#### Transfer Virginia Common Curriculum

The agreements framed under the Virginia Common Curriculum and Transfer VA are not applicable to students entering master's-level, education specialist (EdS), or doctoral (PhD) degree programs at George Mason University.

#### **Faculty Resources**

The College of Education and Human Development's School of Education includes six (6) full time and six (6) part time faculty members teaching elementary education coursework. Three (3) of these faculty have expertise in literacy, four (4) in general methods, and four (4) in elementary content areas (math, science, social studies, and technology). These faculty will teach required courses for the proposed MEd in Elementary Education degree program. Faculty hold doctoral degrees in Education, Elementary Education, Curriculum and Instruction, and Literacy.

Faculty teaching elementary education coursework collectively have more than 100 years of higher education teaching experience and are active in their professional organizations including Virginia Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators, American Educational Research Association, Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, Association of Teacher Educators, Literacy Research Association, National Science Teachers Association, National Council for Teachers of Mathematics, International Society for Technology in Education, and the National Council for the Social Studies. They share their knowledge through presentations at conferences, maintain ongoing research programs, pursue grant funding, and publish in top-tier peer-reviewed journals such as *Action in Teacher Education, Reading Psychology, Educational Researcher, The New Educator, Teaching and Teacher Education, Reading Research Quarterly, Journal of Research in Science Teaching*, and *Journal of Mathematics Teacher Education*.

Faculty members have extensive experience working with diverse children and school partners in grades PK-6. Faculty members have worked in elementary settings as classroom teachers (PK-grade 8), instructional coaches, resource teachers, and reading specialists. The Elementary Education faculty possesses the proper academic training, teaching experience, experience with school partners, and professional expertise to provide competent instruction, supervision, and mentoring in elementary education courses.

The proposed MEd degree program in Elementary Education will also be supported by eight (8) adjunct faculty members who have earned doctoral degrees in Elementary Education, Teacher Education, Literacy, and/or related fields and graduate lecturers (i.e., doctoral candidates), working in collaboration with full-time faculty, who provide course instruction and field

supervision. The credentials of all instructors in the program are evaluated by the College to ensure they have the required experience to teach each course they are assigned.

#### **Student Learning Assessment**

Students who complete the proposed MEd in Elementary Education degree program will possess the required expertise to work in elementary classrooms serving diverse learners. Assessment of student learning in the proposed degree program will be conducted through analysis of systematic metrics specifically designed to measure student performance. Student assessment outcomes are aligned with InTASC Teaching Standards and Learning Progressions for Teachers.<sup>3</sup>

Student learning will be assessed throughout the program through a variety of evaluative assessment experiences. Assessment measures will include but not be limited to course assignments, activities and an array of applied projects designed to facilitate the achievement of learning outcomes in field-based settings. The capstone course options are completed at or near the end of a student's program of study. Capstone course opportunities are designed to meet students' individual professional goals through the completion of an internship experience, as well as a classroom, school, or community-based action research project or proposal.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

Grounded in InTASC standards, graduates will demonstrate knowledge and skill in four general categories (1) The Learner and Learning, (2) Content, (3) Instructional Practice, and (4) Professional Responsibility. These outcomes align with licensure requirements articulated by the VDOE for Elementary Educators (PK-6).

The Learner and Learning: Demonstrate knowledge of developmentally appropriate pedagogies and recommended instructional practices to create inclusive learning environments and experiences that honor diverse cultures and individual learning differences to meet high standards and promote learners' cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical development. Students will be able to:

- Standard #1/Learner Development: The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.
- Standard #2/Learning Differences The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
- Standard #3/Learning Environments The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Council of Chief State School Officers. 2013. InTASC Model Core Teaching Standards and Learning Progressions for Teachers 1.0. https://ccsso.org/sites/default/files/2017-12/2013 INTASC Learning Progressions for Teachers.pdf

Content: Demonstrate an ability to apply deep and flexible content area knowledge in real world secondary education contexts to assure learners achieve mastery of targeted developmentally appropriate content knowledge and skills. Students will be able to:

- Standard #4/Content Knowledge: The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
- Standard #5/Application of Content: The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Instructional Practice: Design, implement, and refine instructional practices (including assessment practices, and the integration of diverse instructional strategies) to maximize and individualize learning. Students will be able to:

- Standard #6/Assessment: The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.
- Standard #7: Planning for Instruction: The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.
- Standard #8: Instructional Strategies: The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Professional Responsibility: Model practices demonstrating professional responsibility to include engaging in cycles of continuous self-improvement, collaborative professional environments with colleagues, learners, families, school professionals, and community members, and ethical behavior to enact change in practice.

- Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice: The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
- Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration: The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

Curriculum map for MEd in Elementary Education

InTASC Standards/Learning	Courses	Assessment Measures
Outcomes		
Standard #1: Learner Development	ELED 543: Children,	Formative: class discussions,
The teacher understands how learners	Family, Culture, and	application activities (lesson
grow and develop, recognizing that	Schools (ages 4-12)	planning, field observation
patterns of learning and development		reflective assignments)
vary individually within and across the		

and physical areas, and designs and Introduction to	Summative:
	Internship experiences
implements developmentally Elementary Methods (	(formal observations), final
	projects
experiences.	p15,000
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Differentiating	
Elementary Methods	
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ELED 790: Internship	
in Elementary	
Education	
Standard #2: Learning Differences ELED 543: Children,	Formative: class discussions,
	application activities (lesson
	planning, field observation
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inclusive learning environments that ELED 544:	,
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	Internship experiences
	(formal observations), final
	projects
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Differentiating	
Elementary Methods	
and Management	

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	ELED 790: Internship	
	in Elementary	
	Education	
Standard #4: Content Knowledge	ELED 552:	Formative: class discussions,
The teacher understands the central		application activities (lesson
concepts, tools of inquiry, and		planning, field observation
structures of the discipline(s) he or she	Classrooms	reflective assignments),
teaches and creates learning		quizzes, mini units
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experiences that make these aspects of	ELED 553: Science	G .:
the discipline accessible and	Methods for the	Summative:
meaningful for learners to assure	Elementary	Internship experiences
mastery of the content.	Classroom	(formal observations);
		content area review
	ELED 554: Methods	documentation; passing
	of Teaching Social	Praxis II scores; final
	Studies and	projects
	Integrating Fine Arts	
	ELED 555: Literacy	
	Teaching and	
	Learning in Diverse	
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	Teaching and	
	Learning in Diverse	
	Elementary	
	Classrooms II	
	ELED 700 L . 1:	
	ELED 790: Internship	
	in Elementary	
	Education	
Standard #5: Application of Content	ELED 552:	Formative: class discussions,
The teacher understands how to		application activities (lesson
connect concepts and use differing	in Elementary	planning, field observation
perspectives to engage learners in	Classrooms	reflective assignments),
critical thinking, creativity, and		quizzes, mini units
collaborative problem solving related to		
authentic local and global issues.	Methods for the	Summative:
	Elementary	Internship experiences
	Classroom	(formal observations); final
		projects
	ELED 554: Methods	
	of Teaching Social	
	or reaching social	

	Studies and	
	Integrating Fine Arts	
	ELED 555: Literacy	
	Teaching and	
	Learning in Diverse	
	Elementary	
	Classrooms I	
	ELED 556: Literacy	
	Teaching and	
	Learning in Diverse	
	Elementary	
	Classrooms II	
	ELED 790: Internship	
	in Elementary	
	Education	
Standard #6: Assessment	ELED 544:	Formative: class discussions,
The teacher understands and uses		,
		application activities (lesson
multiple methods of assessment to	_	planning, field observation
engage learners in their own growth, to	and Management	reflective assignments),
monitor learner progress, and to guide		quizzes, instructional cycle
the teacher's and learner's decision	ELED 545:	activities
making.	Differentiating	
	<b>J</b>	Summative:
	and Management	Internship experiences
		(formal observations); final
		projects
Standard #7: Planning for	ELED 544:	Formative: class discussions,
Instruction		application activities (lesson
The teacher plans instruction that		planning, field observation
supports every student in meeting	and Management	reflective assignments),
rigorous learning goals by drawing		quizzes, instructional cycle
upon knowledge of content areas,	ELED 545:	activities
curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills,	Differentiating	
and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of	Elementary Methods	Summative:
learners and the community context.	and Management	Internship experiences
		(formal observations); final
		projects
Standard #8: Instructional	ELED 544:	Formative: class discussions,
Strategies		application activities (lesson
The teacher under-stands and uses a		planning, field observation
var-iety of instructional strategies to	and Management	reflective assignments),
encour-age learners to devel-op deep	_	quizzes, instructional cycle
understand-ing of content areas and		activities
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their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.	ELED 545: Differentiating Elementary Methods and Management	Summative: Internship experiences (formal observations); final projects
Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.	Foundations of Elementary Education ELED 544: Introduction to	Formative: class discussions, application activities (lesson planning, field observation reflective assignments), quizzes, instructional cycle activities  Summative: Internship experiences (formal observations); final projects
Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.	ELED 542: Foundations of Elementary Education ELED 544: Introduction to	Formative: class discussions, application activities (lesson planning, field observation reflective assignments), quizzes, instructional cycle activities  Summative: Internship experiences (formal observations); final projects

During the teaching internship experiences, students are expected to demonstrate the principles and practices of educators working in grades PK-6 in accordance with the InTASC Teaching

Standards and Learning Progressions for Teachers. Students will be mentored during the internship experiences and demonstrate their abilities to meet the learning outcomes outlined above by designing learning assignments, constructing methods for assessing, integrating instructional strategies for teaching culturally, linguistically, and ability diverse students, demonstrating effective classroom management techniques, and communicating/collaborating with stakeholders.

## **Relation to Existing George Mason University Degree Programs**

George Mason University's College of Education and Human Development offers a Master of Education (MEd) degree program in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Elementary Education (PK-6) and a Bachelor of Science in Education (BSEd) degree program in Elementary Education (PK-6). Currently, all students seeking licensure as an elementary (PK-6) educator complete one of these two degree programs. If the proposed MEd in Elementary Education is approved, prospective students seeking licensure at the graduate level as an elementary educator or seeking to develop expertise in the field will be admitted directly into the proposed MEd in Elementary Education. The current Elementary Education concentration in the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction will be discontinued.

Because the proposed degree program will draw from the same pool of prospective students as the current degree programs, there is no anticipated overall negative impact on student enrollment. Resources currently used to support the operation of the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction, concentration in Elementary Education will be reallocated to support the initiation and operation of the proposed MEd in Elementary Education.

#### Justification for the Proposed Program

#### **Response to Current Needs (Specific Demand)**

The Commonwealth of Virginia and the nation as a whole is experiencing a severe and growing shortage of qualified teachers. The shortage is at a crisis level especially in high-poverty and diverse school divisions. In Virginia, 4.5% of teaching positions were vacant at the start of the 2023-24 school year—an increase from 3.9% in the 2022-23 school year.<sup>4</sup> In response to the growing teaching shortage, Governor Glenn Youngkin signed Executive Directive 3, charging the field to: 1) Reduce barriers for qualified individuals to enter the profession, 2) Increase the number of candidates eligible to fill public school divisions' hard-to-staff positions, and, 3) Strengthen strategies to recruit and retain a diverse, highly-qualified educator workforce.<sup>5</sup>

The Virginia Department of Education has also identified 10 critical shortage areas (i.e., those disciplinary areas for which school divisions face the largest difficulty filling positions with

<sup>4</sup> Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC). (2023). Virginia's K-12 Pipeline. Retrieved from: https://jlarc.virginia.gov/landing-2023-virginias-k-12-teacher-

pipeline.asp#:~:text=4.5%20percent%20of%20teaching%20positions,to%20the%20pandemic)%3B%20and <sup>5</sup> Commonwealth of Virginia Executive Department (2022). Executive Directive Number Three. Retrieved from: https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/governor-of-virginia/pdf/ed/ED-3---Addressing-Teacher-Shortages-in-Virginia-Schools.pdf

qualified educators). Elementary PreK-6 has been in the top ten areas on the list since 2005, and is currently ranked second in terms of difficulty filling positions behind Special Education. As a result of instituting the proposed stand-alone degree program, George Mason University anticipates producing a total of 70 Elementary PreK-6 teachers annually by program maturity in 2029-2030. This is an annual net increase of 10 elementary teachers over the current degree program.

The proposed degree program will enable the increased production of teachers with elementary expertise by providing expanded access and clarity for marketing to prospective students. A stand-alone degree program in "Elementary Education," as opposed to a concentration buried within a "Curriculum and Instruction" degree program, will clearly identify for students the specific degree they wish to pursue. The proposed degree program will also provide expanded access by offering students the opportunity to begin study in either the fall or spring semesters and providing options to complete some coursework through online delivery.

#### **Duplication**

Ten (10) four-year, public universities in Virginia offer degree programs similar to the proposed degree program. Christopher Newport University, the College of William & Mary in Virginia, Norfolk State University, Old Dominion University, Radford University, the University of Mary Washington, the University of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia State University, and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University offer degree programs similar to the proposed degree program.

## **Christopher Newport University (CNU)**

CNU offers a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) with Licensure. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### College of William & Mary in Virginia (William & Mary)

William & Mary offers a Master of Arts in Education (MAEd) in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Elementary Education. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### **Norfolk State University (NSU)**

NSU offers a Masters of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Elementary Education (PreK-6). The degree program is offered online.

#### **Old Dominion University (ODU)**

ODU offers a Master of Science in Education (MSEd) degree in Elementary Education, concentration in Initial Licensure-PreK-6. The degree program is offered online and fully face to face.

#### Radford University (Radford)

Radford offers a Master of Science (MS) in Education with a concentration in Curriculum and Instruction with licensure. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### **University of Mary Washington (UMW)**

UMW offers a Master of Education (MEd) in Elementary Education. The degree program is offered face to face and online.

#### **University of Virginia (UVA)**

UVA offers a Masters of Teaching (MT), concentration in Elementary Education. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)

VCU offers a Masters of Teaching (MT), concentration in Elementary Education. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech)

Virginia Tech offers a Masters of Arts in Education (MAEd) in Curriculum and Instruction, with professional licensure in PK-6. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### Virginia State University (VSU)

Virginia State University offers a Masters of Education (MEd) with a concentration in Elementary Education, with professional licensure in PK-6. The degree program is offered face to face.

# State Council of Higher Education for Virginia Summary of Projected Enrollments in Proposed Program

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Assumptions:

85% Retention

40 % Full-time students 60% part-time students

Full-time students graduate in 2 years

Part-time students graduate in 3 years

Full-time students: 9 credit hours per semester Part-time students: 6 credit hours per semester

#### Projected Resource Needs for the Proposed Program

#### **Resource Needs**

George Mason University and the College of Education and Human Development have the resources needed to transition and sustain the proposed MEd in Elementary Education. The following categories detail the resources required to launch and sustain the proposed program from its initiation in the Fall 2025 semester through the target year 2029-2030. Assessments of need for full-time faculty and adjunct faculty are based on the following ratio of student enrollment to faculty effort: 10 FTE of enrollment requires one FTE faculty for instruction. The proposed program will therefore require a total of 4.50 FTE to initiate increasing to 17.9 FTE by the target year of 2029-2030.

#### **Full-time Faculty**

A faculty member currently teaching in the School of Education will serve as program coordinator for the proposed program. The program coordinator will be responsible for curriculum oversight, scheduling, marketing and recruitment strategy, and student satisfaction. The program coordinator will devote 0.50 FTE to teach core and required courses in the proposed program from the initiation year through the target enrollment year.

Five (5) faculty members currently teaching in the School of Education will devote .50 FTE each to teach required courses in the proposed program in the initiation year, rising to 1.00 FTE each by the target enrollment year.

The proposed program will require 3.00 FTE of full-time faculty effort to initiate, rising to 5.50 FTE by the target enrollment year.

#### **Part-time Faculty**

Six (6) existing faculty members in the School of Education will devote .25 FTE each to teach required courses beginning in the initiation year of the program's operation, rising to .75 by the target enrollment year.

The proposed program will require 1.50 FTE of part-time faculty effort to initiate, rising to 4.50 FTE by the target enrollment year.

#### **Adjunct Faculty**

Eight (8) adjunct faculty members teaching in the School of Education will devote 1.00 FTE each to teach required courses beginning in the second year of the program's operation through the target enrollment year. Adjunct faculty teaching graduate courses in the College of Education and Human Development are paid approximately \$5,313 per course with no fringe benefits. The cost for adjunct faculty teaching in the proposed degree program is expected to be \$127,512 by the target enrollment year.

The proposed program will require 0.0 FTE of adjunct faculty effort to initiate, rising to approximately 8.00 FTE by the target enrollment year.

#### **Graduate Assistants**

No graduate assistants will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### **Classified Positions**

No additional classified support will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### **Equipment (including computers)**

No additional equipment will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### Library

George Mason University Libraries has an extensive collection of journals and publications to support the proposed degree program. As a member of the Virtual Library of Virginia (VIVA), online access to journals is available.

#### **Telecommunications**

No new telecommunications will be required to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### Space

No additional space will be required to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### **Targeted Financial Aid**

No targeted financial aid is required or designated to initiate and sustain the proposed degree program.

#### **Special Tuition or Fee Charges**

No special tuition or fee charges will be utilized or instituted to initiate and sustain the proposed degree program.

#### **Other Resources**

No additional College of Education and Human Development resources will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

## Funds to Initiate and Operate the Degree Program

Figures provided in the table below will be compared to SCHEV funding estimates using the current adequacy model. This comparison will serve as a reference for the estimated costs. If there are large discrepancies, SCHEV may request additional clarification to ensure the institution's assumptions as correct, or require modifications as a condition of approval.

**Note:** Institutions must use the recommended student-faculty ratio when estimating FTES enrollments and required faculty FTEs.

	Cost and Funding Sources to Initiate and Operate the Program				
	Informational Category	Program Initiation Year	Program Target Year		
		20 25 - 20 26	20 <u>29</u> - 20 <u>30</u>		
1.	Projected Enrollment (Headcount)	75	298		
2.	Projected Enrollment (FTES)	45	179		
3.	Projected Enrollment Headcount of In-State Students	71	283		
4.	Projected Enrollment Headcount of Out- of-State Students	4	15		
5.	Estimated Annual Tuition and E&G Fees for In-State Students in the Proposed Program	\$17,954	\$17,954		
6.	<b>Revenue</b> from Tuition and E&G Fees for In-State Students Due to the Proposed Program	\$1,274,734	\$5,080,982		
7.	Estimated Annual Tuition and E&G Fees for Out-of-State Students in the Proposed Program	\$22,764	\$22,764		
8.	<b>Revenue</b> from Tuition and E&G Fees for Out-of-State Students Due to the Proposed Program	\$91,056	\$341,460		
9.	Projected Revenue Total from Tuition and E&G Fees Due to the Proposed Program	\$1,365,790	\$5,422,442		
10.	Other Funding Sources Dedicated to the Proposed Program (e.g., grant, business, private sources, university funds)	\$0	\$0		
11.	Total Funding	\$1,365,790	\$5,422,442		

## **Part V: Certification Statements**

1.	request of any kind will be submitted to the Virginia General Assembly for funds to nitiate and/or maintain the proposed degree program.
	Yes
	No 🖂
	If "Yes" is checked, include narrative text to describe: when the request will be made, how much will be requested, what the funds will be used for, and what will be done if the request is not fulfilled. Additional information may be required.
2.	The proposed degree program is included in the institution's most recent six-year plan.
	Yes 🖂
	No
	If "No" is checked, include narrative text to explain why the program is being advanced at the present time despite not being included in the six-year plan.
3.	The institution's governing board has been provided information regarding duplication (if pplicable) and labor market projections as part of its approval action.
	Yes No 🖂
	If "No" is checked, include narrative text to explain why the governing board has not been provided the information.
	ge Mason University's Board of Visitors' approval is anticipated at the December 5, 2024 ing.
Th	nstitution's Chief Academic Officer attests to the accuracy of the above statements.
	James Antony, PhD
	Name (Printed)
	October 14, 2024
	Signature Date

## Appendices

## Appendix A - Sample Plan of Study Full-Time Students

Yr	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	ELED 542: Foundations of	ELED 555: Literacy Teaching and	Elective (3 cr)
	Elementary Education (3 cr)	Learning in Diverse Elementary	, ,
		Classrooms I (3 cr)	
	ELED 543: Children, Family,		
	Culture, and Schools, ages 4-12	ELED 545: Differentiating Elementary	
	Years (3 cr)	Methods and Management (3 cr)	
	ELED 544: Introduction to	ELED 554: Methods of Teaching	
	Elementary Methods and	Social Studies and Integrating Fine	
	Management (3 cr)	Arts in the Elementary Classroom (3	
		cr)	
2	ELED 552: Mathematics Methods	ELED 790: Internship in Elementary	
	for the Elementary Classroom (3	Education (6 cr)	
	cr)		
		ELED 559: Research and Assessment	
	ELED 556: Literacy Teaching and	in Elementary Education (3 cr)	
	Learning in Diverse Elementary		
	Classrooms II (3 cr)	Elective (3 cr)	
	ELED 553: Science Methods for		
	Elementary Classroom (3 cr)		

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	9
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	9
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	3
Year 1 Subtotal:	<b>21 credits</b>
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	9
Credit Hours – Second Year – Spring Term	9
Year 2 Subtotal:	<b>18 credits</b>
Total Credit Hours	39 credits

## Sample Plan of Study Part time Students

Yr	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	ELED 542: Foundations of Elementary Education (3 cr) ELED 543: Children, Family, Culture, and Schools, ages 4- 12 Years (3 cr)	ELED 544: Introduction to Elementary Methods and Management (3 cr)  ELED 555: Literacy Teaching and Learning in Diverse Elementary Classrooms I (3 cr)	ELED 545: Differentiating Elementary Methods and Management (3 cr)  ELED 554: Methods of Teaching Social Studies and Integrating Fine Arts in the Elementary Classroom (3 cr)
2	ELED 552: Mathematics Methods for the Elementary Classroom (3 cr)  ELED 553: Science Methods for Elementary Classroom (3 cr)	ELED 556: Literacy Teaching and Learning in Diverse Elementary Classrooms II (3 cr)  ELED 790: Internship in Elementary Education (6 cr)	ELED 559: Research and Assessment in Elementary Education (3 cr) Elective (3 cr)
3			

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	6
Year 1 Subtotal:	<b>18 credits</b>
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – Second Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – Second Year – Summer Term	6
Year 2 Subtotal:	18 credits
Total Credit Hours	39 credits

#### **Appendix B – Course Descriptions**

#### **Core Courses**

ELED 542: Foundations of Elementary Education (3 credits)

Examines the historical, philosophical, and sociological foundations of education as they relate to elementary schools, with a particular emphasis on teaching a culturally diverse population. Develops an understanding of the relationship between society and education.

ELED 543: Children, Family, Culture, and Schools, ages 4-12 Years (3 credits) Examines child and family development and ways children, families, schools, and communities interrelate. Links children's developing physical, social, emotional, and cognitive abilities to planning curriculum and developing instructional strategies.

ELED 544: Introduction to Elementary Methods and Management (3 credits) Introduces general methods of teaching and management in elementary schools with an emphasis on using the foundational principles of curriculum, instruction, assessment, and management to plan instruction for diverse learners.

ELED 545: Differentiating Elementary Methods and Management (3 credits)
Provides an introduction to differentiated instruction and management for children in grades PK6. Emphasizes the assessment of learners, incorporation of varied instructional and management strategies to meet the needs of all learners.

ELED 552: Mathematics Methods for the Elementary Classroom (3 credits) Introduces methods for teaching topics in arithmetic, geometry, algebra, probability, and statistics in elementary grades. Focuses on using manipulatives and technologies to explore mathematics and solve problems.

ELED 553: Science Methods for the Elementary Classroom (3 credits) Develops skills and abilities in science teaching methods, applications of technology, safety practices, and creation of integrated science curricula. Examines science teaching based on contemporary theory, practice, and standards.

ELED 554: Methods of Teaching Social Studies and Integrating Fine Arts in the Elementary Classroom (3 credits)

Focuses on the design and delivery of standards-based integrated curriculum centered on the social sciences. Includes integration of fine arts and examines the central role of the arts in learning.

ELED 555: Literacy Teaching and Learning in Diverse Elementary Classrooms I (3 credits) Provides research-based introduction to literacy teaching and learning for ages 4-12 years. Emphasizes language development; reading and writing processes; emergent literacy; culture, families, and literacy; and literacy integration in the curriculum.

ELED 556: Literacy Teaching and Learning in Diverse Elementary Classrooms II (3 credits) Provides research-based introduction to literacy teaching and learning for PK-6 learners. Emphasizes literacy and language processes and development; connections among cultures, families, and literacy; and literacy integration in curriculum.

ELED 559: Research and Assessment in Elementary Education (3 credits)
Provides an understanding of research paradigms utilizing systematic evidence to improve practice and further skills in assessment of learning outcomes. Emphasizes the linkage of research and practice and making instructional decisions based on systematically collected data.

ELED 790: Internship in Elementary Education (6-9 credits) (semester-long interns complete 6 credits; year-long interns complete 9 credits)

Provides intensive supervised clinical experience for one full semester in an accredited professional development school. Provides supervision for teacher candidates in a school placement setting that includes observations and seminar experiences.

#### **Elective Courses**

EDSE 501: Introduction to Special Education (3 credits)

Provides a survey of current knowledge on individuals with disabilities within the context of human growth and development across the lifespan. Includes historical factors, legal aspects, etiology, characteristics, assessment, evidence-based practices, and support services for individuals having needs for intervention ranging from mild to severe. Includes the impact of disabilities on academic, social, and emotional performances framed within the teaching profession as a whole.

EDUC 537: Introduction to Culturally & Linguistically Diverse Learners (3 credits) Examines the ways intersections of race, ethnicity, language, socioeconomic status, gender, sexual orientation, and ability affect equity for PK-12 culturally and linguistically diverse (CLD) learners. Invites educators to interrogate ways that personal cultural identity and biases influence instructional and assessment practices with CLD learners and relationships with families.

ELED 558: Cambridge Schools Experience (3 credits)
Provides intensive supervised clinical experience in a primary school in Cambridge, England.

#### **ITEM NUMBER:**

Master of Education (MEd) in Secondary Education Degree Program Proposal

#### **PURPOSE OF ITEM:**

The MEd in Secondary Education degree program proposal is in development for submission to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) for Fall 2025. Prior to SCHEV submission, Board action is required.

#### **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE:**

Academic Programs, Diversity and University Community Committee

#### **BRIEF NARRATIVE:**

The MEd in Secondary Education degree program proposal has been prepared according to specialized SCHEV guidance to promote the development of new licensure-qualifying degree programs by Virginia public higher education institutions that will contribute to alleviating shortages of licensed personnel in Virginia's school districts.

The proposed degree program will develop the requisite knowledge and skills needed by secondary teachers. The MEd in Secondary Education will prepare students to advocate for adolescents' academic success and well-being, develop respectful relationships with young people, inquire into and reflect on professional practices, and engage as partners with colleagues and students' families. Students will learn to teach a wide diversity of learners in developmentally appropriate and content-specific ways.

Through the proposed MEd, students will develop an understanding of essential concepts and principles of their respective disciplines (history/social science, English, biology, chemistry, Earth science, physics, math, and computer science). The proposed program will develop prospective teachers' skills to collaborate and co-teach with other professionals.

The curriculum for the degree program is designed to meet the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) licensure standards for secondary education learners (grades 6-12) in all eight of the program's proposed content area tracks. The proposed program fulfills accreditation standards for initial preparation programs outlined by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). Coursework addresses the professional standards articulated by the National Council for the Social Studies, the National Council of Teachers of English, the National Science Teachers Association, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Computer Science Teachers Association.

#### **REVENUE IMPLICATIONS:**

The MEd in Secondary Education will be revenue neutral. All courses required for the degree currently exist as part of the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction, Secondary Education Concentration and the Graduate Certificate in Secondary Education.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Board approval.

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## Description of Proposed Program

#### **Program Background**

George Mason University seeks approval for a Master of Education (MEd) degree program in Secondary Education. The proposed degree program will be administered by the College of Education and Human Development, School of Education. The anticipated initiation date is Fall 2025.

First opening in 1957 as the Northern Virginia branch of the University of Virginia, George Mason University was established as an independent four-year, degree-granting institution in 1972. Since its inception the University has offered teacher preparation degree programs. Currently, the College of Education and Human Development's School of Education has more than 2,500 students enrolled. Degree offerings in teacher preparation include undergraduate and graduate pathways to more than 30 different licensure and endorsement areas in Virginia.

To identify the proposed MEd degree program as appropriate for submission, the College of Education and Human Development examined degree programs that would address critical shortages in teaching endorsement areas in Virginia as identified by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). Data from market studies, professional organizations, and considerations of legislative changes were also used to determine new degree programs. The proposed MEd degree program in Secondary Education provides pathways for licensure in biology, chemistry, computer science, Earth science, English, history/social science, math, and physics in grades 6-12. All of these endorsement areas are currently identified as high need by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). Virginia is expected to have an annual average of approximately 6,700 secondary teacher openings between 2022 and 2032.<sup>2</sup>

Secondary teacher education is critical to the development and increase of teachers to the middle and high schools of the northern Virginia region and the Commonwealth. Secondary teachers are responsible for educating their students in the core content of the Virginia Standards of Learning. Secondary teachers also prepare students to be informed and engaged citizens, and to be careerand college-ready citizens.

Currently, George Mason University offers four pathways to licensure for Secondary Education: 1) an MEd in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Secondary Education, 2) a BSEd in Secondary Education, 3) seven (7) undergraduate certificates in content area licensure, and 4) a post-baccalaureate certificate in secondary education. The proposed degree program will replace the concentration in Secondary Education in the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction. The proposed degree program will expand the existing concentration from the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction degree program into a stand-alone MEd degree program in order to address the demand for licensed educators in secondary education settings. The post-baccalaureate certificate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Virginia Department of Education. (n.d.) Commonwealth of Virginia critical shortage teaching endorsement areas for 2023-2024 school year. <a href="https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment/teaching-in-virginia/education-workforce-data-reports.www.doe.virginia.gov.docx">https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment/teaching-in-virginia/education-workforce-data-reports.www.doe.virginia.gov.docx</a> (live.com)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> US Department of Labor (2024). Retrieved from https://www.onetonline.org/link/details/25-2031.00

in secondary education will remain active for students who already have earned a master's degree or who do not elect to pursue a full graduate degree.

#### **Delivery Format**

The proposed MEd degree program in Secondary Education will be offered in a hybrid delivery format. The proposed degree program will be offered in a face-to-face delivery format, with two core courses, EDRD 619 and SEED 540, available only as online courses. The online courses are supported by a personal support center through the university's primary learning management system, Canvas. Canvas is centrally supported by the university's Information Technology Services (ITS), which provides technical assistance, training, and system administration 24 hours a day every day. ITS also supports a portfolio of academic technology applications for use in online courses. The ITS Learning Support Center and the Stearns Center for Teaching and Learning provide training to faculty in both the use of the Canvas software and in the design of courses.

All students will have access to online resources through security-protected access credentials. Support services for students will include access to online systems such as electronic mail, online library resources, PatriotWeb (a self-service site for students to manage their administrative records and accounts), financial aid, academic services, career services, disability services, and the University Bookstore. Computer support is available 24 hours a day every day. Phone support is available every day at hours posted on the ITS Support Center website. For the traditional, face-to-face delivery of the two-day residency, George Mason University has adequate classroom space and associated equipment to successfully deliver the proposed degree program.

#### Accreditation

The proposed MEd in Secondary Education will be accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). CAEP is a professional accreditor for education preparation providers. The CAEP accreditation process ensures educator preparation providers whose programs lead to certification, licensure, or endorsement meet demanding standards for the preparation of educators and other professional school personnel. Through standards that focus on systematic assessment of candidate learning, CAEP encourages accredited institutions to engage in continuous improvement based on accurate and consistent data.

George Mason University's existing Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum and Instruction degree program with a concentration in Secondary Education is presently accredited by CAEP through Spring 2026. George Mason University will comply with the following re-accreditation timeline:

February 2025: Submit self-study document October 2025: Site visit by accreditation team

April 2026: Decision rendered about accreditation status

## State Licensing Agency Virginia Department of Education

The proposed MEd degree program in Secondary Education is required to meet the biennial measures prescribed by the Virginia State Board of Education. The Virginia Department of Education provides detailed and specific information for meeting the standards and competencies expected of Virginia's educators in their respective disciplines. The requirements are extensive, and all educator preparation programs must meet all the licensure regulations, professional studies, and endorsement requirements for each discipline/teaching area to be approved to offer Educator Preparation Programs.

The existing Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum and Instruction, concentration in Secondary Education is designed to meet the Virginia Department of Education standards and regulations. In 2021, George Mason University submitted its biennial report for 2019-2021, which evaluates all educator preparation programs offered by the University. The Virginia Department of Education approved the existing concentrations in Secondary Education (biology, chemistry, computer science, Earth science, English, history/social science, math, and physics) in this report. The biennial report for 2021-2023 was submitted in fall 2023. The next report to address 2023-2025 will be submitted to the Virginia Department of Education in fall 2025.

#### **Admission Criteria**

All students will be required to fulfill the graduate admission requirements of the University. Applicants must:

- Graduate application and fee
- 750- to 1,000-word written statement of applicant's goals and interest in the program
- Two letters of recommendation
- Transcripts from all previous institutions attended in the United States.
- Applicants with transcripts from institutions outside of the United States could have additional requirements.

The College of Education and Human Development will require applicants to the proposed degree program to satisfy additional requirements. Applicants must:

- Submit a resume.
- Complete an admissions interview.

Applicants who have not earned a baccalaureate or graduate degree in the U.S. must submit:

- Official English translations of all diplomas, certificates, and transcripts that are not already in English. Also, documents from foreign institutions must meet the university's guidelines for international transcript submission.
- Documents required to receive the Form I-20 can be submitted with the application and fee or after an admission decision has been received. Those required documents are:
  - o A Certificate of Financial Responsibility (CFR)
  - o Financial support documents
  - Copy of passport identification page

- o For those present in the United States, copies of immigration documents verifying current nonimmigrant status
- Proof of English proficiency: either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) academic exam, or the Pearson Tests of English (PTE) meeting the minimum requirements:
  - o TOEFL: 88 points total and a minimum of 20 points in each section
  - o IELTS: 7.0 and 6.5 each subsection
  - o PTE: 67 overall score
  - o Duolingo English Test: 120 (accepted through 2024)
  - o INTO Mason Academic English Test: 7

#### Curriculum

The proposed MEd degree program in Secondary Education will require 30 credit hours. An internship course is required.

Through the proposed program, students will develop an understanding of essential concepts and principles of their respective disciplines (history/social science, English, biology, chemistry, Earth science, physics, math, and computer science). Through a field-based approach to teacher education, students will be guided by university- and school-based teacher educators to provide inclusive learning experiences for adolescents in both high school and middle school contexts. The proposed program will develop prospective teachers' skills to collaborate with other professionals, young people, and their families. The program ensures all students exit the program with essential knowledge, skills, abilities, and dispositions for teaching and learning in grades 6-12 in terms of learner development, learner differences, classroom environments, content knowledge, content application, planning, assessment, management, professional learning/ethical practice, and leadership/collaboration.

The curriculum incorporates all licensure requirements into courses completed by all students in the Secondary Education program. In addition, the course content addresses each of the ten Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC) standards.

All students select one of five concentration areas: 1) Computer Science, 2) English, 3) History and Social Science, 4) Mathematics, or 5) Science. The concentration area coursework is designed to meet the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) licensure standards for secondary education learners (grades 6-12) in eight (8) content areas: biology, chemistry, computer science, Earth science, English, history/social science, mathematics and physics. Coursework addresses the professional standards articulated by the National Council for the Social Studies, the National Council of Teachers of English, the National Science Teachers Association, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Computer Science Teachers Association.

New courses are indicated with an asterisk.

#### **Program Requirements**

#### **Core Courses: 12 credits**

SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 credits)

SEED 540: Human Development, Learning, and Teaching (3 credits)

EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 credits)

SEED 677: Studying Teaching Impact on Student Learning (1 credits)

SEED 678: Implementing Teacher Impact on Student Learning (2 credits)

#### **Concentration Areas: 18 credits**

#### Computer Science

Students take coursework that leads to licensure in Computer Science (grades 6-12).

#### Required Courses (12 credits)

SEED 566: Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 676: Advanced Teaching of Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 796: Internship: Secondary Education Computer Science (1-6 credits) (Students take 6

credits.)

#### Elective Courses (6 credits)

Students work with their advisor to select six (6) credits of education or computer science coursework at the 500-level or above.

#### **English**

Students take coursework that leads to licensure in English (grades 6-12).

#### Required Courses (15 credits)

SEED 569: Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 669: Advanced Teaching of English in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 502: Young Adult Literature in Multicultural Settings (3 credits)

SEED 792: Internship: Secondary Education English (1-6 credits) (Students take 6 credits.)

#### Elective Course (3 credits)

Students work with their advisor to select an education or English course at the 500-level or above.

#### History and Social Science

Students take coursework that leads to licensure in History/Social Science (grades 6-12).

#### Required Courses (15 credits)

SEED 567: Teaching Social Studies in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 667: Advanced Teaching of Social Sciences in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 505: Teaching and Learning Difficult Histories (3 credits)

SEED 795: Internship: Secondary Education Social Studies (1-6 credits) (Students take 6 credits)

#### Elective Course (3 credits)

Students work with their advisors to select an education or history/social science course at the 500-level or above.

#### Mathematics

Students take coursework that leads to licensure in Math (grades 6-12).

#### Required Courses (12 credits)

SEED 572: Teaching Math in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 672: Advanced Teaching of Math in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 793: Internship: Secondary Education Math (1-6 credits) (Students take 6 credits)

#### Elective Courses (6 credits)

Students work with their advisors to select six (6) credits of education or mathematics coursework at the 500-level or above.

#### **Science**

Students in the Science concentration take coursework that leads to licensure in Biology (grades 6-12), Chemistry (grades 6-12), Earth Science (grades 6-12), or Physics (grades 6-12).

#### Required Courses (15 credits)

SEED 573: Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

SEED 583: Advanced Teaching of Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

EDUC 545: Teaching Science and Engineering Practices (3 credits)\*

SEED 794: Internship: Secondary Education Science (1-6 credits) (Students take 6 credits)

#### Elective Course (3 credits)

Students work with their advisors to select an education or science course at the 500-level or above.

#### **Total credit hours: 30**

#### Internship Requirement

Students in the MEd concentrations leading to licensure are required to take a supervised internship course in which they will complete a minimum of 10 weeks supervised experience. Based on concentration area students will complete an internship, per VDOE requirements. Students must document a minimum of 300 clock hours of direct and indirect teaching experience with students in their respective endorsement area (biology, chemistry, computer science, Earth science, English, history/social science, mathematics and physics). Throughout the internship, the student will be evaluated based on observations of instruction and assignments using standardized rubrics. Students will be required to maintain a log to track their instructional hours. Students will be assessed on completion of weekly reflections, formal internship meetings, and observations by the University Supervisor. If students do not successfully complete all hours or assignments, they may be required to repeat the internship. If a student fails the internship course, students will be given an opportunity to retake the course at an alternative location.

See Appendix A for a Sample Plan of Study. See Appendix B for Course Descriptions.

#### **Transfer Virginia Common Curriculum**

The agreements framed under the Virginia Common Curriculum and Transfer VA are not applicable to students entering master's-level, education specialist (EdS), or doctoral (PhD) degree programs at George Mason University.

#### **Faculty Resources**

The College of Education and Human Development's School of Education includes five (5) full-time and three (3) part-time faculty members teaching in the secondary education program. All of these faculty members have expertise in general instructional methods and teacher research. Each of the full-time faculty members has an expertise in their respective content area (English/literacy, science, math, computer science, history/social science), and the three part-time faculty members collectively have expertise in teacher research, literacy, educational psychology, foundations of education, and history/social science. Full- and part-time also have expertise in educational psychology, educational foundations, and assessment. These faculty will teach the required courses for the proposed MEd in Secondary Education. Faculty hold doctoral degrees in Education, Curriculum and Instruction, Teacher Education, and Literacy.

Secondary education faculty collectively have more than 80 years of higher education teaching experience and are active in their professional organizations including Virginia Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators, American Educational Research Association, Association of Teacher Educators, Literacy Research Association, National Science Teachers Association, National Council for Teachers of Mathematics, International Society for Technology in Education, the National Council for the Social Studies, Computer Science Teachers Association, National Council for the Teaching of English, and the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. They share their knowledge through presentations at conferences, maintain ongoing research programs, pursue grant funding, and publish in top-tier peer-reviewed journals such as *Action in Teacher Education, Educational Researcher, The New Educator, Teaching and Teacher Education, Journal of Research in Science Teaching*.

Faculty members have extensive experience working with diverse young adults and school partners in grades 6-12. Faculty members have worked in secondary settings as classroom teachers, instructional coaches, and resource teachers. The Secondary Education faculty members possess the proper academic training, teaching experience, experience with school partners, and professional expertise to provide competent instruction, supervision, and mentoring in secondary education courses.

The proposed MEd degree program in Secondary Education will also be supported by seven (7) adjunct faculty members who have earned doctoral degrees in Curriculum and Instruction, Educational Psychology, Literacy, Teacher Education, Literacy, and/or related fields and graduate lecturers (i.e., doctoral candidates), working in collaboration with full-time faculty, who provide course instruction and field supervision. The credentials of all instructors in the program

are evaluated by the College to ensure they have the required experience to teach each course they are assigned.

#### **Student Learning Assessment**

Students who complete the proposed MEd in Secondary Education degree program will possess the required expertise to work in a variety of secondary education contexts serving diverse adolescent learners and families. Assessment of student learning in the proposed degree program will be conducted through analysis of systematic metrics specifically designed to measure student performance. Student assessment outcomes are aligned with InTASC Teaching Standards and Learning Progressions for Teachers<sup>3</sup>.

Student learning will be assessed throughout the program through a variety of evaluative assessment experiences. Assessment measures will include but not be limited to course assignments, activities, and an array of applied projects designed to facilitate the achievement of learning outcomes. The capstone course options are completed at or near the end of a student's program of study. Capstone course opportunities are designed to meet students' individual professional goals through the completion of an internship experience and a classroom action research project.

Each of the program assessment structures differs based on their need to address both collegewide and program specific standards and accrediting agencies. The specific assessments germane to each program are detailed below.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

Grounded in InTASC standards graduates will demonstrate knowledge and skill in four general categories: (1) The Learner and Learning, (2) Content, (3) Instructional Practice, and (4) Professional Responsibility. Each of these categories includes specific outcomes, articulated below. These outcomes align with licensure requirements articulated by the VDOE for Secondary Educator (grades 6-12).

The Learner and Learning: Demonstrate knowledge of developmentally appropriate pedagogies and recommended instructional practices to create inclusive learning environments and experiences that honor diverse cultures and individual learning differences to meet high standards and promote learners' cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical development. Students will be able to:

- Standard #1/Learner Development: The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.
- Standard #2/Learning Differences The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

<sup>3</sup> Council of Chief State School Officers. 2013. InTASC Model Core Teaching Standards and Learning Progressions for Teachers 1.0. https://ccsso.org/sites/default/files/2017-12/2013 INTASC Learning Progressions for Teachers.pdf

• Standard #3/Learning Environments The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Content: Demonstrate an ability to apply deep and flexible content area knowledge in real world secondary education contexts to assure learners achieve mastery of targeted developmentally appropriate content knowledge and skills. Students will be able to:

- Standard #4/Content Knowledge: The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.
- Standard #5/Application of Content: The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Instructional Practice: Design, implement, and refine instructional practices (including assessment practices, and the integration of diverse instructional strategies) to maximize and individualize learning. Students will be able to:

- Standard #6/Assessment: The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.
- Standard #7: Planning for Instruction: The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.
- Standard #8: Instructional Strategies: The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Professional Responsibility: Model practices demonstrating professional responsibility to include engaging in cycles of continuous self-improvement, collaborative professional environments with colleagues, learners, families, school professionals, and community members, and ethical behavior to enact change in practice.

- Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice: The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.
- Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration: The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

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	Internship courses	Internship courses
	SEED 792: Internship:	Formative: Using INTASC
	Secondary English	rubric and observation
	SEED 793: Internship:	form, multiple rounds of
	Secondary Math	iterative feedback on lesson
	SEED 794: Internship:	plans and observations of
	Secondary Science	implementation in
	SEED 795: Internship:	internship classroom
	Secondary Education Social	
	Studies	Summative: Using INTASC
	SEED 796: Internship:	rubric and evaluation form,
	Secondary Computer Science	mid-semester and end-of-
		semester feedback on and
		assessment of
		implementation in
		internship classroom
Standard #2: Learning	Foundations course	Foundations course
Differences: The teacher uses	SEED 522: Foundations of	Formative: Multiple rounds
understanding of individual	Secondary Education	of iterative feedback on
differences and diverse		Clinical Experience Project
cultures and communities to	Human Development and	
ensure inclusive learning	<u>Learning course</u>	Summative: Final
environments that enable	SEED 540: Human	summative feedback on and
each learner to meet high	Development & Learning	assessment of Clinical
standards.		Experience Project
	Methods I courses	
	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Human Development and
	Science in the Secondary	<u>Learning course</u>
	School	Formative: Multiple rounds
	SEED 567: Teaching Social	of iterative feedback on
	Studies in the Secondary	Lesson Plan Analysis and
	School	Application
	SEED 569: Teaching English	
	in the Secondary School	Summative: Final
	SEED 572: Teaching Math in	summative feedback on and
	the Secondary School	assessment of Lesson Plan
	SEED 573: Teaching Science	Analysis and Application
	in the Secondary School	
		Methods I courses
	Methods II courses	Formative: Multiple rounds
	SEED 667: Advanced Methods	of iterative feedback on
	of Teaching Social Sciences in	lesson plan drafts
	the Secondary School	
	SEED 669: Advanced Methods	Summative: Final
	of Teaching English in the	summative feedback on and
	Secondary School	

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Secondary Science form, multiple rounds of
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SEED 796: Internship: internship classroom
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Standard #3: Learning Foundations course Foundations course
Environments: The teacher SEED 522: Foundations of Formative: Multiple rour
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SEED 572: Teaching Math in lesson plan drafts
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SEED 573: Teaching Science Summative: Final
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	of Teaching Social Sciences in	
	the Secondary School	Methods II courses
	SEED 669: Advanced Methods	Formative: Multiple rounds
	of Teaching English in the	of iterative feedback on unit
	Secondary School	plan drafts
	SEED 672: Advanced Methods	
	of Teaching Math in the	Summative: Final
	Secondary School	summative feedback on and
	SEED 676: Advanced Methods	assessment of unit plan
	of Teaching Computer Science	using INTASC rubric
	in the Secondary School	
	SEED 683: Advanced Methods	Internship courses
	of Teaching Science in the	Formative: Using INTASC
	Secondary School	rubric and observation
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	Internship courses	
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	Secondary English	implementation in
	SEED 793: Internship:	internship classroom
	Secondary Math	
	SEED 794: Internship:	Summative: Using INTASC
	Secondary Science	rubric and evaluation form,
	SEED 795: Internship:	mid-semester and end-of-
	Secondary Education Social	semester feedback on and
	Studies	assessment of
	SEED 796: Internship:	implementation in
	Secondary Computer Science	internship classroom
Standard #4: Content	Methods I courses	Methods I courses
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Knowledge: The teacher	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Formative: Multiple rounds
understands the central	Science in the Secondary	of iterative feedback on
concepts, tools of inquiry,	School	lesson plan drafts
and structures of the	SEED 567: Teaching Social	
discipline(s) he or she teaches	Studies in the Secondary	Summative: Final
and creates learning	School	summative feedback on and
experiences that make these	SEED 569: Teaching English	assessment of lesson plan
aspects of the discipline	in the Secondary School	using INTASC rubric
accessible and meaningful for	SEED 572: Teaching Math in	
learners to assure mastery of	the Secondary School	Methods II courses
the content.	SEED 573: Teaching Science	Formative: Multiple rounds
	in the Secondary School	of iterative feedback on unit
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	the Secondary School	Internship courses
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	of Teaching English in the	rubric and observation
	Secondary School	form, multiple rounds of
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	of Teaching Math in the	plans and observations of
	Secondary School	implementation in
	SEED 676: Advanced Methods	internship classroom
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	SEED 794: Internship:	
	Secondary Science	
	SEED 795: Internship:	
	Secondary Education Social	
	Studies	
	SEED 796: Internship:	
	Secondary Computer Science	
Standard #5: Application of	Foundations course	Foundations course
Content: The teacher	SEED 522: Foundations of	Formative: Multiple rounds
understands how to connect	Secondary Education	of iterative feedback on
concepts and use differing	Secondary Education	Clinical Experience Project
perspectives to engage	Methods I courses	Emperience i reject
learners in critical thinking,	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Summative: Final
creativity, and collaborative	Science in the Secondary	summative feedback on and
problem solving related to	School	assessment of Clinical
authentic local and global	SEED 567: Teaching Social	Experience Project
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	in the Secondary School	of iterative feedback on
	SEED 572: Teaching Math in	lesson plan drafts
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	of Teaching Social Sciences in				
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	of Teaching English in the	of iterative feedback on unit			
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	of Teaching Science in the	Formative: Using INTASC			
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	Internship courses	iterative feedback on lesson			
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	Secondary English	implementation in			
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	SEED 794: Internship:	Summative: Using INTASC			
	Secondary Science	rubric and evaluation form,			
	SEED 795: Internship:	mid-semester and end-of-			
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	SEED 796: Internship:	implementation in			
	Secondary Computer Science	internship classroom			
Standard #6: Assessment:		±			
	Foundations course	Foundations course			
The teacher understands and	SEED 522: Foundations of	Formative: Multiple rounds			
uses multiple methods of	Secondary Education	of iterative feedback on			
assessment to engage learners		Clinical Experience Project			
in their own growth, to	Methods I courses				
monitor learner progress, and	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Summative: Final			
to guide the teacher's and	Science in the Secondary	summative feedback on and			
learner's decision making.	School	assessment of Clinical			
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	in the Secondary School	of iterative feedback on			
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	Secondary School	plan drafts		
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	of Teaching Math in the	Summative: Final		
	Secondary School	summative feedback on and		
	SEED 676: Advanced Methods	assessment of unit plan		
	of Teaching Computer Science	using INTASC rubric		
	in the Secondary School			
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	SEED 793: Internship:	internship classroom		
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	Secondary Science	rubric and evaluation form,		
	SEED 795: Internship:	mid-semester and end-of-		
	Secondary Education Social	semester feedback on and		
	Studies	assessment of		
	SEED 796: Internship:	implementation in		
	Secondary Computer Science	internship classroom		
Standard #7: Planning for	Foundations course	Foundations course		
Instruction: The teacher plans	SEED 522: Foundations of	Formative: Multiple rounds		
instruction that supports	Secondary Education	of iterative feedback on		
every student in meeting		Clinical Experience Project		
rigorous learning goals by	Human Development and			
drawing upon knowledge of	Learning course	Summative: Final		
content areas, curriculum,	SEED 540: Human	summative feedback on and		
cross-disciplinary skills, and	Development & Learning	assessment of Clinical		
pedagogy, as well as	Beverapment & Learning	Experience Project		
knowledge of learners and the	Methods I courses	Experience i foject		
community context.	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Human Development and		
Community Context.	Science in the Secondary	Learning course		
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	the Secondary School	Summative: Final
	SEED 669: Advanced Methods	summative feedback on and
	of Teaching English in the	assessment of lesson plan
	Secondary School	using INTASC rubric
	SEED 672: Advanced Methods	
	of Teaching Math in the	Methods II courses
	Secondary School	Formative: Multiple rounds
	SEED 676: Advanced Methods	of iterative feedback on unit
	of Teaching Computer Science	plan drafts
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	SEED 683: Advanced Methods	Summative: Final
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	of Teaching Science in the	
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	Secondary Math	form, multiple rounds of
	SEED 794: Internship:	iterative feedback on lesson
	Secondary Science	plans and observations of
	SEED 795: Internship:	implementation in
	Secondary Education Social	internship classroom
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	SEED 796: Internship:	Summative: Using INTASC
	Secondary Computer Science	rubric and evaluation form,
		mid-semester and end-of-
		semester feedback on and
		assessment of
		implementation in
		internship classroom
Standard #8: Instructional	Foundations course	Foundations course
Strategies: The teacher	SEED 522: Foundations of	Formative: Multiple rounds
understands and uses a	Secondary Education	of iterative feedback on
variety of instructional		Clinical Experience Project
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SEED 540: Human
Development & Learning

#### Methods I courses

SEED 566: Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School SEED 567: Teaching Social Studies in the Secondary School SEED 569: Teaching English in the Secondary School SEED 572: Teaching Math in the Secondary School SEED 573: Teaching Science in the Secondary School

#### Methods II courses

SEED 667: Advanced Methods of Teaching Social Sciences in the Secondary School SEED 669: Advanced Methods of Teaching English in the Secondary School SEED 672: Advanced Methods of Teaching Math in the Secondary School SEED 676: Advanced Methods of Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School SEED 683: Advanced Methods of Teaching Science in the Secondary School

#### <u>Internship courses</u>

SEED 792: Internship: Secondary English SEED 793: Internship: Secondary Math SEED 794: Internship: Secondary Science SEED 795: Internship: Secondary Education Social Studies Summative: Final summative feedback on and assessment of Clinical Experience Project

#### <u>Human Development and</u> <u>Learning course</u>

Formative: Multiple rounds of iterative feedback on Lesson Plan Analysis and Application

Summative: Final summative feedback on and assessment of Lesson Plan Analysis and Application

#### Methods I courses

Formative: Multiple rounds of iterative feedback on lesson plan drafts

Summative: Final summative feedback on and assessment of lesson plan using INTASC rubric

#### Methods II courses

Formative: Multiple rounds of iterative feedback on unit plan drafts

Summative: Final summative feedback on and assessment of unit plan using INTASC rubric

#### Internship courses

Formative: Using INTASC rubric and observation form, multiple rounds of iterative feedback on lesson plans and observations of implementation in internship classroom

	SEED 796: Internship:	Summative: Using INTASC
	Secondary Computer Science	rubric and evaluation form,
		mid-semester and end-of-
		semester feedback on and
		assessment of
		implementation in
		internship classroom
Standard #9: Professional	Methods I courses	Methods I courses
Learning and Ethical	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Formative: Multiple rounds
Practice: The teacher engages	Science in the Secondary	of iterative feedback on
in ongoing professional	School	lesson plan drafts
learning and uses evidence to	SEED 567: Teaching Social	1
continually evaluate his/her	Studies in the Secondary	Summative: Final
practice, particularly the	School	summative feedback on and
effects of his/her choices and	SEED 569: Teaching English	assessment of lesson plan
actions on others (learners,	in the Secondary School	using INTASC rubric
families, other professionals,	SEED 572: Teaching Math in	5
and the community), and	the Secondary School	Methods II courses
adapts practice to meet the	SEED 573: Teaching Science	Formative: Multiple rounds
needs of each learner.	in the Secondary School	of iterative feedback on unit
		plan drafts
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	of Teaching Social Sciences in	summative feedback on and
	the Secondary School	assessment of unit plan
	SEED 669: Advanced Methods	using INTASC rubric
	of Teaching English in the	
	Secondary School	Internship courses
	SEED 672: Advanced Methods	Formative: Using INTASC
	of Teaching Math in the	rubric and observation
	Secondary School	form, multiple rounds of
	SEED 676: Advanced Methods	iterative feedback on lesson
	of Teaching Computer Science	plans and observations of
	in the Secondary School	implementation in
	SEED 683: Advanced Methods	internship classroom
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	SEED 793: Internship:	implementation in
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	SEED 795: Internship:	
	Secondary Education Social	
	Studies	
	SEED 796: Internship:	
	Secondary Computer Science	
Standard #10: Leadership and	Methods I courses	Methods I courses
Collaboration: The teacher	SEED 566: Teaching Computer	Formative: Multiple rounds
seeks appropriate leadership	Science in the Secondary	of iterative feedback on
roles and opportunities to	School	lesson plan drafts
take responsibility for student	SEED 567: Teaching Social	•
learning, to collaborate with	Studies in the Secondary	Summative: Final
learners, families, colleagues,	School	summative feedback on and
other school professionals,	SEED 569: Teaching English	assessment of lesson plan
and community members to	in the Secondary School	using INTASC rubric
ensure learner growth, and to	SEED 572: Teaching Math in	
advance the profession.	the Secondary School	Methods II courses
•	SEED 573: Teaching Science	Formative: Multiple rounds
	in the Secondary School	of iterative feedback on unit
	,	plan drafts
	Methods II courses	
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	of Teaching Social Sciences in	summative feedback on and
	the Secondary School	assessment of unit plan
	SEED 669: Advanced Methods	using INTASC rubric
	of Teaching English in the	
	Secondary School	Internship courses
	SEED 672: Advanced Methods	Formative: Using INTASC
	of Teaching Math in the	rubric and observation
	Secondary School	form, multiple rounds of
	SEED 676: Advanced Methods	iterative feedback on lesson
	of Teaching Computer Science	plans and observations of
	in the Secondary School	implementation in
	SEED 683: Advanced Methods	internship classroom
	of Teaching Science in the	_
	Secondary School	Summative: Using INTASC
	-	rubric and evaluation form,
	Internship courses	mid-semester and end-of-
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	Secondary English	assessment of
	SEED 793: Internship:	implementation in
	Secondary Math	internship classroom
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	Secondary Education Social	
	Studies	

SEED 796: Internship:	
Secondary Computer Science	

#### **Effect on Existing George Mason University Degree Programs**

George Mason University's College of Education and Human Development offers a Master of Education (MEd) degree program in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Secondary Education (grades 6-12), a Bachelor of Education in Secondary Education (grades 6-12), seven post-baccalaureate certificates in licensure content areas, and a post-baccalaureate certificate in secondary education. Currently, all students seeking licensure as a secondary (grades 6-12) educator complete one of these four pathways. If the proposed MEd in Secondary Education is approved, prospective graduate students seeking licensure as a secondary educator or seeking to develop expertise in the field will be admitted directly into the proposed MEd in Secondary Education. The Secondary Education concentration in the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction will be discontinued.

Because the proposed degree program will draw from the same pool of prospective students as the current degree programs, there is no anticipated overall negative impact on student enrollment. Resources currently used to support the operation of the MEd in Curriculum and Instruction, concentration in Secondary Education will be reallocated to support the initiation and operation of the proposed MEd in Secondary Education degree program.

#### Justification for the Proposed Program

#### **Response to Current Needs (Specific Demand)**

The Commonwealth of Virginia and the nation as a whole are experiencing a severe and growing shortage of qualified teachers. The shortage is at a crisis level especially in high-poverty and diverse school divisions. In Virginia, 4.5% of teaching positions were vacant at the start of the school year—an increase from 3.9% in the 2022-23 school year.<sup>4</sup> In response to the growing teaching shortage, Governor Glenn Youngkin signed Executive Directive 3, charging the field to: 1) Reduce barriers for qualified individuals to enter the profession, 2) Increase the number of candidates eligible to fill public school divisions' hard-to-staff positions, and, 3) Strengthen strategies to recruit and retain a diverse, highly-qualified educator workforce.<sup>5</sup>

The proposed MEd degree program in Secondary Education provides pathways for licensure in biology, chemistry, computer science, Earth science, English, history/social science, math, and physics (all in grades 6-12). All of these endorsement areas are currently identified as high need

<sup>4</sup> Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC). (2023). Virginia's K-12 Pipeline. Retrieved from: https://jlarc.virginia.gov/landing-2023-virginias-k-12-teacher-

pipeline.asp#:~:text=4.5%20percent%20of%20teaching%20positions,to%20the%20pandemic)%3B%20and <sup>5</sup> Commonwealth of Virginia Executive Department (2022). Executive Directive Number Three. Retrieved from: https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/governor-of-virginia/pdf/ed/ED-3---Addressing-Teacher-Shortages-in-Virginia-Schools.pdf

by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). Virginia is expected to have an annual average of approximately 6,700 secondary teacher openings between 2022 and 2032.<sup>6</sup>

The proposed MEd in Secondary Education program is responsive to current trends in secondary education. The proposed degree program will support an efficient transition from pre-service to in-service teacher. The curriculum emphasizes development of knowledge, skills, and dispositions for creating instruction and classroom environments that meet the diverse needs of grade 6-12 learners across all core subject areas through coursework and field experiences. The degree program's design includes a core of courses that are completed in cross-subject area groups to enhance collaboration amongst future teachers. To specialize in a licensure content area, students take content-specific courses to hone their disciplinary teaching expertise.

Approximately 50 students graduate each year from the existing Secondary Education concentrations embedded in the existing MEd degree programs in Curriculum and Instruction. As a result of instituting the proposed stand-alone degree program, George Mason University anticipates producing a total of 61 Secondary Education graduates yearly by the target enrollment year 2029-2030. This is a net increase of 11 graduates over the existing production of graduates in these areas.

The proposed degree program will be able to fulfill the asserted increased production of teachers by providing expanded access to prospective students, as well as clarity for marketing. George Mason University's current graduate-level secondary education licensure program is delivered by a concentration embedded within a degree in Curriculum and Instruction. By clearly identifying the specialized knowledge and skill that students will obtain (i.e, "MEd in Secondary Education"), the proposed degree program will have increased visible relevance for prospective students. Offering program pathways that can be completed with varied semester start options and with hybrid course offerings will also increase access. Expanding the existing concentration into a stand-alone degree program will increase visibility and therefore access to the licensure degree program.

#### **Duplication**

Seven (7) public institutions in Virginia offer degree programs similar to the proposed degree program. The College of William & Mary in Virginia, James Madison University, Old Dominion University, Radford University, the University of Mary Washington, Virginia Commonwealth University, and the University of Virginia offer degree programs similar to the proposed degree program.

#### College of William & Mary in Virginia (William & Mary)

William & Mary offers a Master of Arts in Education (MAEd) in Curriculum and Instruction, with a concentration in Secondary Education. The degree program is offered face to face.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> US Department of Labor (2024). Retrieved from <a href="https://www.onetonline.org/link/details/25-2031.00">https://www.onetonline.org/link/details/25-2031.00</a>

#### **James Madison University (JMU)**

JMU offers a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree program in Education with a concentration in Initial Licensure in Secondary Education. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### **Old Dominion University (ODU)**

ODU offers a Master of Science in Education (MSEd) with a concentration in Secondary Education 6-12. The degree program is offered face to face and online.

#### Radford University (Radford)

Radford offers a Master of Science (MS) in Curriculum and Instruction with a Licensure concentration. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### **University of Mary Washington (UMW)**

The University of Mary Washington offers a Master of Education (MEd) in Secondary Education. The degree program is offered online and face to face.

#### Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)

VCU offers a Master of Teaching (MT) degree with concentrations in English, History/Social Studies, and Math. The degree program is offered face to face.

#### **University of Virginia (UVA)**

UVA offers a Master of Teaching (MT) degree in Education with concentrations in Science Education, English Education, Mathematics Education, and Social Studies Education. The degree program is offered face to face.

# State Council of Higher Education for Virginia Summary of Projected Enrollments in Proposed Program

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4 Target Year (2-year institutions)			Year 5 arget Ye ar institu		
20 <u>25</u> - 2	20 <u>26</u>	20 <u>26</u> - 2	20 <u>27</u>	20 <u>27</u> - 2	<u>7</u> - 20 <u>28</u> 20 <u>29</u> - 20 <u>29</u> 20 <u>29</u> - 20 <u>30</u>		20 <u>28</u> - 20 <u>29</u>		30		
HDCT <u>65</u>	FTES <u>37</u>	HDCT 125	FTES <u>72</u>	HDCT 190	FTES 109	HDCT 254	FTES 146	GRAD	HDCT 262	FTES 151	GRAD <u>61</u>

#### Assumptions:

85 % Retention

30 % Full-time students 70 % part-time students Full-time students: 9 credit hours per semester Full-time students: 6 credit hours per semester

Full-time students graduate in 2 years Part-time students graduate in 3 years

Projected Resource Needs for the Proposed Program

#### Resource Needs

George Mason University and the College of Education and Human Development have the resources needed to transition and sustain the proposed MEd in Secondary Education. The following categories detail the resources required to launch and sustain the proposed program from its initiation in the Fall 2025 semester through the target year 2029-2030. Assessments of need for full-time faculty and adjunct faculty are based on the following ratio of student enrollment to faculty effort: 10 FTE of enrollment requires one FTE faculty for instruction. The proposed program will therefore require a total of 3.7 FTE to launch increasing to 15.1 FTE by the target year of 2029-2030.

#### **Full-time Faculty**

A faculty member currently teaching in the School of Education will serve as program coordinator for the proposed program. The program coordinator will be responsible for curriculum oversight, scheduling, marketing and recruitment strategies, and student satisfaction assessments. The program coordinator will devote .50 FTE to teach core and required courses in the proposed program from the initiation year rising to .80 through the target enrollment year.

Five (5) faculty members currently teaching in the School of Education will devote .50 FTE each to teach required courses in the proposed program in the initiation year, rising to 1.0 FTE each by the target enrollment year.

The proposed program will require 3.0 FTE of full-time faculty effort to initiate, rising to 5.80 FTE by the target enrollment year.

#### **Part-time Faculty**

Three (3) existing faculty members in the School of Education will devote .25 FTE each to teach required courses beginning in the initiation year of the program's operation rising to .75 by the target enrollment year.

The proposed program will require .75 FTE of part-time faculty effort to initiate, rising to 2.25 FTE by the target enrollment year.

#### **Adjunct Faculty**

Seven (7) adjunct faculty members teaching in the School of Education will devote 1.0 FTE each to teach required courses beginning in the second year of the program's operation through the target enrollment year. Adjunct faculty teaching graduate courses in the College of Education and Human Development are paid approximately \$5,313 per course with no fringe benefits. The cost for adjunct faculty teaching in the proposed degree program is expected to be \$111,573 by the target enrollment year.

The proposed program will require 0.0 FTE of adjunct faculty effort to initiate, rising to 7.0 FTE by the target enrollment year.

#### **Graduate Assistants**

No graduate assistants will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### **Classified Positions**

No additional classified support will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### **Equipment (including computers)**

No additional equipment will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### Library

George Mason University Libraries has an extensive collection of journals and publications to support the proposed degree program. As a member of the Virtual Library of Virginia (VIVA), online access to journals is available.

#### **Telecommunications**

No new telecommunications will be required to initiate or sustain the proposed program. Telecommunications are available and will be utilized for the new hires.

#### **Space**

No additional space will be required to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

#### **Targeted Financial Aid**

No targeted financial aid is required or designated to initiate and sustain the proposed degree program.

**Special Tuition or Fee Charges**No special tuition or fee charges will be utilized or instituted to initiate and sustain the proposed degree program.

### **Other Resources**

No additional College of Education and Human Development resources will be utilized to initiate or sustain the proposed program.

### Funds to Initiate and Operate the Degree Program

Figures provided in the table below will be compared to SCHEV funding estimates using the current adequacy model. This comparison will serve as a reference for the estimated costs. If there are large discrepancies, SCHEV may request additional clarification to ensure the institution's assumptions as correct, or require modifications as a condition of approval.

**Note:** Institutions must use the recommended student-faculty ratio when estimating FTES enrollments and required faculty FTEs.

Cost and Funding Sources to Initiate and Operate the Program			
	Informational Category	Program Initiation Year	Program Target Year
		20 <u>25</u> - 20 <u>26</u>	20 29 - 20 30
1.	Projected Enrollment (Headcount)	65	262
2.	Projected Enrollment (FTES)	37	151
3.	Projected Enrollment Headcount of In-State Students	59	236
4.	Projected Enrollment Headcount of Out- of-State Students	6	26
5.	Estimated Annual Tuition and E&G Fees for In-State Students in the Proposed Program	\$17,954	\$17,954
6.	Revenue from Tuition and E&G Fees for In-State Students Due to the Proposed Program	\$1,059,286	\$4,237,144
7.	Estimated Annual Tuition and E&G Fees for Out-of-State Students in the Proposed Program	\$22,764	\$22,764
8.	Revenue from Tuition and E&G Fees for Out-of-State Students Due to the Proposed Program	\$136,584	\$591,864
0	Projected Revenue Total from Tuition and E&G Fees Due to the Proposed		
9.	Program  Other Funding Sources Dedicated to the Proposed Program (e.g., grant, business,	\$1,195,870	\$4,829,008
10.	private sources, university funds)	\$0	\$0
11.	Total Funding	\$1,195,870	\$4,829,008

### **Part V: Certification Statements**

1.	A request of any kind will be submitted to the Virginia General Assembly for funds to nitiate and/or maintain the proposed degree program.	)
	Yes No No	
	If "Yes" is checked, include narrative text to describe: when the request will be made how much will be requested, what the funds will be used for, and what will be dorn request is not fulfilled. Additional information may be required.	
2.	The proposed degree program is included in the institution's most recent six-year plan	1.
	Yes No	
	If "No" is checked, include narrative text to explain why the program is being adv at the present time despite not being included in the six-year plan.	anced
3.	The institution's governing board has been provided information regarding duplication applicable) and labor market projections as part of its approval action.	n (if
	Yes No No	
	If "No" is checked, include narrative text to explain why the governing board has been provided the information.	not
	rge Mason University's Board of Visitors' approval is anticipated at the December 5, 2 ting.	2024
Th	institution's Chief Academic Officer attests to the accuracy of the above statements.	
	James Antony, PhD	
	Name (Printed)	
	October 14, 2024	·
	Signature Date	

## Appendices

### Appendix A – Sample Plan of Study Full-Time Students

### Computer Science concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)  SEED 566: Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)  Elective (3 cr)  SEED 676: Advanced Methods of Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	Elective (3 cr)  SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)  SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr)
2	(3 cr)  SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  SEED 796: Internship in Secondary Education Computer Science (6 cr)		

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term 6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term 9
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term 7

Year 1 Subtotal: 22 credits

Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term 8

Year 2 Subtotal: 8 credits

Total Credit Hours 30 credits

### Computer Science concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)	SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)
	SEED 566: Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	SEED 676: Advanced Methods of Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	Elective (3 cr)
2	SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr)	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)	
	Elective (3 cr)	SEED 796: Internship in Secondary Education Computer Science (6 cr)	

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	6
Year 1 Subtotal:	18 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	4
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	8
Year 2 Subtotal:	12 credits
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits

### Sample Plan of Study Full-Time Students

### English concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)  SEED 569: Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)  Elective (3 cr)  SEED 669: Advanced Methods of Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 cr)	Elective (3 cr)  SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)  SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary
2	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  SEED 792: Internship in Secondary Education English (6 cr)	School (3 ci)	Education (1 cr)

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6 9
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	7
Year 1 Subtotal:	22 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term Year 2 Subtotal:	8 8 credits
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits

### English concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)	SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)
	SEED 569: Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 cr)	SEED 669: Advanced Methods of Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 cr)	Elective (3 cr)
2	SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr)	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)	
	Elective (3 cr)	SEED 792: Internship in Secondary Education English (6 cr)	

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	6
Year 1 Subtotal:	18 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	4
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	8
Year 2 Subtotal:	12 credits
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits

### Sample Plan of Study Full-Time Students

### History/Social Science concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)  SEED 567: Teaching Social Studies in the Secondary School (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)  Elective (3 cr)  SEED 667: Advanced Methods of Teaching Social Sciences in the Secondary School (3 cr)	Elective (3 cr)  SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)  SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr)
2	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  SEED 795: Internship in Secondary Education Social Studies (6 cr)		

<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term Year 2 Subtotal:	8 8 credits
Year 1 Subtotal:	22 credits
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	7
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	9
Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
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### History/Social Science concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)	SEED 540: Human Development and Learning
	(3 cr)  SEED 567: Teaching Social Studies in the Secondary School (3 cr)	SEED 667: Advanced Methods of Teaching Social Sciences in the Secondary School (3 cr)	(3 cr) Elective (3 cr)
2	SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr) Elective (3 cr)	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  SEED 795: Internship in Secondary Education Social Studies (6 cr)	

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	6
Year 1 Subtotal:	18 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	4
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	8
Year 2 Subtotal:	12 credits
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits

### Sample Plan of Study Full-Time Students

### Math concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations	EDRD 619: Disciplinary	Elective (3 cr)
	of Secondary Education	Literacy (3 cr)	CEED 540, Harman
	(3 cr) SEED 572: Teaching	Elective (3 cr)	SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)
	Math in the Secondary School (3 cr)	SEED 672: Advanced Methods of Teaching Math	SEED 677: Action Research
		in the Secondary School (3 cr)	Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr)
2	SEED 678: Action		
	Research Seminar in		
	Secondary Education (2		
	cr)		
	SEED 793: Internship in		
	Secondary Education		
	Math (6 cr)		

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	9
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	7
Year 1 Subtotal:	22 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	8
Year 2 Subtotal:	8 credits
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits

### Math concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)  SEED 572: Teaching Math in the Secondary School (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)  SEED 672: Advanced Methods of Teaching Math in the Secondary School (3 cr)	SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)  Elective (3 cr)
2	SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr) Elective (3 cr)	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  SEED 793: Internship in Secondary Education Math (6 cr)	

Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	6
Year 1 Subtotal:	18 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	4
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	8
Year 2 Subtotal:	12 credits
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits

### Sample Plan of Study Full-Time Students

### Science concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)  SEED 573: Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)  Elective (3 cr)  SEED 673: Advanced Methods of Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	EDUC 545: Teaching Science and Engineering Practices (3 cr)  SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)  SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary
2	SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  SEED 794: Internship in Secondary Education Science (6 cr)		Education (1 cr)

<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	30 credits
Year 2 Subtotal:	8 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	8
Year 1 Subtotal:	22 credits
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	7
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	9
Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6

### Science concentration

YR	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
1	SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 cr)  SEED 573: Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 cr)  SEED 673: Advanced Methods of Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 cr)	SEED 540: Human Development and Learning (3 cr)  EDUC 545: Teaching Science and Engineering Practices (3 cr)
2	SEED 677: Action Research Methods in Secondary Education (1 cr)  SEED 678: Action Research Seminar in Secondary Education (2 cr)  Elective (3 cr)	SEED 794: Internship in Secondary Education Science (6 cr)	

Total Credit Hours	30 credits
Year 2 Subtotal:	12 credits
Credit Hours – Second Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – Second Year – Fall Term	6
Year 1 Subtotal:	18 credits
Credit Hours – First Year – Summer Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Spring Term	6
Credit Hours – First Year – Fall Term	6

#### **Appendix B – Course Descriptions**

New course are indicated with an asterisk.

#### **Core Courses**

SEED 522: Foundations of Secondary Education (3 credits)

Analyzes philosophical assumptions, curriculum issues, learning theories, and history associated with current teaching styles. Emphasizes applications to all disciplines taught in secondary schools. Examines current educational trends and issues in relation to sociology of secondary school settings. Notes: 15 hours school-based field experience required.

SEED 540: Human Development, Learning, and Teaching (3 credits)

Explores developmental issues associated with middle and high school students, and theories that provide basis for understanding learning process. Addresses implications for designing instruction and curriculum.

#### EDRD 619: Disciplinary Literacy (3 credits)

Examines language and literacy processes of adolescent learners. Builds understanding of reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and visually representing in content areas. Evaluates disciplinary instructional strategies to support students' development of academic language and comprehension, including adaptations for diverse learners' needs. Fosters an awareness of the role of multiple texts and independent reading in adolescent learners' literacy practices.

SEED 677: Studying Teaching Impact on Student Learning (1 credits)

Links evidence of student learning to make informed instructional decisions. Engages students in critiquing various research paradigms and reviewing literature, to plan for systematically collecting and interpreting evidence to improve practice.

SEED 678: Implementing Teacher Impact on Student Learning (2 credits)

Focuses on critical reflection regarding the effects of teacher actions on others; develops skills as a reflective practitioner. Links evidence of student learning collected in instructional setting to make informed instructional decisions. Engages students in systematic collection and interpretation of evidence to improve practice. Presents research-based rationales for instructional decision-making. Serves as a follow-up for SEED 677. Note: Requires students to be working daily in or have access to a classroom setting to implement the classroom-based teacher research project designed in SEED 677.

#### **Concentration Areas**

#### Computer Science

SEED 566: Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

Emphasizes developing different styles of teaching and covers curricula, current issues, and research literature in secondary school computer science. Note: School-based field experience required.

SEED 676: Advanced Methods of Teaching Computer Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

Emphasizes learning processes for computer science (CS). Introduces national and state standards regarding content and methodologies for teaching CS. Examines instructional methods and materials in relation to secondary CS content, curriculum, and assessment. Note: Schoolbased field experience required.

SEED 796: Internship: Secondary Education Computer Science (1-6 credits)

Provides an intensive, supervised clinical experience in a computer science grade 6-12 classroom in an approved school for fall and/or spring semester. Note: The internship can be completed either in a full-time 16-week experience in one semester (for 6 credits) or in a half-time 32-week experience in two consecutive semesters (for 3 credits each semester, with registration required in both semesters).

## **English**

SEED 569: Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 credits)

Provides study of methods, materials, content, and organization of English programs in secondary school. Notes: 15 hours school-based field experience required.

SEED 669: Advanced Methods of Teaching English in the Secondary School (3 credits) Guides students in working effectively with national and local standards for teaching secondary English. Note: School-based clinical experience required.

## SEED 502: Young Adult Literature in Multicultural Settings

Examines the historical development of literary works written for and about young adults. Considers critical issues surrounding the use and teaching of young adult literature in today's culturally diverse public schools. Requires the reading and review of young adult literature in a variety of genres.

SEED 792: Internship: Secondary Education English (1-6 credits)

Examines the historical development of literary works written for and about young adults. Considers critical issues surrounding the use and teaching of young adult literature in today's culturally diverse public schools. Requires the reading and review of young adult literature in a variety of genres.

#### History and Social Science

SEED 567: Teaching Social Studies in the Secondary School (3 credits)

Provides teacher candidates an introduction to methods, frameworks, and practices of teaching social studies in secondary schools. Notes: Requires 15 hours of school-based field experience.

SEED 667: Advanced Methods of Teaching Social Sciences in the Secondary School (3 credits) Emphasizes interdisciplinary curriculum and instruction and implementing national state standards, authentic assessment, and adaptations for diverse populations. Notes: School-based clinical experience required.

## SEED 505: Teaching and Learning Difficult Histories

Provides study of the issues, concepts, and problems of secondary education practice related to difficult history, including traumatic historical events and moments. Enables students to create culturally responsive, student-centered secondary education lesson plans focused on difficult history topics.

## SEED 795: Internship: Secondary Education Social Studies (1-6 credits)

Provides an intensive, supervised clinical experience in a social studies grade 6-12 classroom in an approved school for fall and/or spring semester. Note: The internship can be completed either in a full-time 16-week experience in one semester (for 6 credits) or in a half-time 32-week experience in two consecutive semesters (for 3 credits each semester, with registration required in both semesters).

#### Mathematics

SEED 572: Teaching Math in the Secondary School (3 credits)

Emphasizes developing different styles of teaching and covers curricula, current issues, and research literature in secondary school mathematics. Notes: 15 hours of school-based field experience required.

SEED 672: Advanced Methods of Teaching Math in the Secondary School (3 credits) Focuses on learning processes for mathematics. Introduces national and state standards regarding content and methodologies for teaching mathematics. Examines instructional methods and materials in relation to secondary mathematical content, curriculum, and assessment. Note: School-based field experience required.

## SEED 793: Internship: Secondary Education Math (1-6 credits)

Provides an intensive, supervised clinical experience in a math grade 6-12 classroom in an approved school for fall and/or spring semester. Note: The internship can be completed either in a full-time 16-week experience in one semester (for 6 credits) or in a half-time 32-week experience in two consecutive semesters (for 3 credits each semester, with registration required in both semesters).

#### Science

SEED 573: Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 credits)

Provides advanced study of teaching and curriculum development based on research and current issues. Emphasizes integrating science and technology, and adapting instruction to the needs of diverse learners. School-based field experience required.

SEED 673: Advanced Methods of Teaching Science in the Secondary School (3 credits) Provides advanced study of teaching and curriculum development based on research and current issues. Emphasizes integrating science and technology, and adapting instruction to the needs of diverse learners. School-based field experience required.

#### EDUC 545: Teaching Science and Engineering Practices (3 credits)\*

Incorporates understanding about teaching science and engineering practices in K-12 classrooms. Builds fundamental knowledge of science and engineering disciplinary practices and skills to

weave this knowledge explicitly in curriculum. Focuses on developing researched-based lessons for students to investigate science phenomenon and engineering problems.

SEED 794: Internship: Secondary Education Science (1-6 credits)
Provides an intensive, supervised clinical experience in a math grade 6-12 classroom in an approved school for fall and/or spring semester. Note: The internship can be completed either in a full-time 16-week experience in one semester (for 6 credits) or in a half-time 32-week experience in two consecutive semesters (for 3 credits each semester, with registration required in both semesters).

# **ACTION ITEMS**

# **Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community Committee**

December 5, 2024

## **CONFERRAL OF EMERITUS/EMERITA STATUS**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	EFFECTIVE DATE
Baker	Robert E.	2/2/2025
Title: Professor Emeritus	s of Sport, Recreation, and Tourism Ma	anagement
	College of Education and Human Develo	· ·
Goodings	Deborah J.	2/2/2025
Title: Dewberry Professo	or Emerita of Civil, Infrastructure and E	Environmental Engineering
<b>Local Academic Unit:</b> C	ivil, Environmental and Infrastructure I	Engineering (CEC)
Hart	David M.	2/2/2025
Title: Professor Emeritus	of Policy and Government	
Local Academic Unit: So	char School of Policy and Government	
Maiello	Anthony J.	12/5/2024
Title: Distinguished Univ	versity Professor Emeritus	
<b>Local Academic Unit:</b> M	Iusic (CVPA)	
Price	Elizabeth C.	12/5/2024
Title: Associate Professo	r Emerita	
<b>Local Academic Unit:</b> D	ance (CVPA)	
Shelley	Louise I.	2/2/2025
<b>Title:</b> Distinguished Univ	versity Professor Emerita of Policy and	Government
<u>-</u>	char School of Policy and Government	

## **ACTION ITEMS**

## Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community Committee

December 5, 2024

## **CONFERRAL OF EMERITUS/EMERITA STATUS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATESmithGlenn E.12/5/2024

**Title:** Professor Emeritus

Local Academic Unit: Music (CVPA)

Soltan Valeriu 12/5/2024

**Title:** Professor Emeritus

Local Academic Unit: Mathematical Science (COS)



OFFICE OF THE DEAN Thompson Hall, Room 2100 4400 University Drive, 2F1, Fairfax, Virginia 22030

To: James Soto Antony, PhD, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, PhD, President

Ingrid Guerra-López, PhD, Dean From:

College of Education and Human Development (CEHD)

Subject: Emeritus Designation for Dr. Robert E. Baker

Date: October 17, 2024

I am writing to request that Dr. Robert E. Baker be awarded the title Professor Emeritus of Sport, Recreation, and Tourism Management, effective February 2, 2025.

Dr. Baker began at Mason in 2005 as an associate professor and earned promotion to the rank of professor in 2014. His numerous leadership positions include serving as Interim Dean; School Director of the School of Sport, Recreation, and Tourism Management; Interim School Director of the School of Kinesiology; and Director of the Center for Sport Management.

Dr. Baker's research has had a major impact in advancing the field, including in the areas of sport diplomacy and sport analytics. His output includes six books; 18 book chapters; 28 journal articles, including in top journals in the field; and 29 other publications. He has delivered 14 keynote presentations and scholarly workshops, and 86 refereed state/national/international presentations. His numerous grant awards include continuous funding from such organizations as the U.S. Department of State's prestigious Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs Sport Visitors Program, totaling over \$7M.

During his time at Mason, Dr. Baker taught multiple sections of 19 distinct courses, made significant contributions to curriculum development and transitioning courses to online formats, and developed a Research Mentoring program. He received the Distinguished Sport Management Educator Award by the North American Society for Sport Management and was the finalist for the GMU Teaching Excellence Award and GMU Career Connection Award for his student mentoring.

Dr. Baker's service has been outstanding at all levels. He has served on multiple college and university committees, served as President of the North American Society for Sport Management, and was a founding Board Member of the World Association for Sport Management. He received the Sport Management Outstanding Achievement Award by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education for his lifetime achievements in scholarship, teaching, and service in sport management.

Dr. Baker is a highly respected and an outstanding member of the Mason community who has made extraordinary across-the-board contributions. I highly recommend him for emeritus status.

Gregory Washington, PhD, President



## College of Engineering and Computing

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To: James Anthony, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory N. Washington, President

From: Kenneth S. Ball, P.E., Dean

College of Engineering and Computing

Subject: Emeritus Designation for Dr. Deborah J. Goodings

Date: 17 October 2024

I am writing to request that Dr. Deborah J. Goodings be awarded the title **Dewberry Professor Emerita of Civil, Infrastructure and Environmental Engineering** (CEIE) effective **February 2, 2025**. Dr. Goodings received her Ph.D. in Geotechnical Engineering from Cambridge University. She joined Mason in 2009 as Chair of the Sid and Reva Dewberry Department of Civil, Environmental, and Infrastructure Engineering and to hold the endowed Dewberry Chair in Civil Engineering. Prior to that she had served as a Professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Maryland. Between 2015 to 2018 she joined the National Science Foundation (NSF) through an IPA, to serve as a member of the Senior Management Team for the Engineering Directorate as Director of the Civil, Mechanical, and Manufacturing Innovation (CMMI) Directorate. Since 2018 she has served as Associate Dean of Graduate Affairs for the College of Engineering and Computing (CEC).

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Dr. Goodings has made significant contributions to education within CEC. As Department Chair of CEIE, she grew the faculty by 50%, updated the undergraduate and graduate curricula, raised funds for a new undergraduate teaching laboratory, an endowed chair and student fellowships, and strengthened engagement with the Department's board of industry advisors, which today is a marked strength of the department. As Associate Dean, she oversaw graduate education during a period of tremendous growth in the CEC graduate student population, and provided proactive leadership, supervision, guidance, and accountability for CEC graduate education, including its intersection with research and administration. She was also very involved in graduate education initiatives across the university, working with other colleges and central university administrative offices to advance the university's broader goals in research, education, and administrative vitality.

In her role as a Director at NSF, she was an advocate for U.S. university research and education in engineering through both direct awards and support of shared national facilities, with broader impacts leading to breakthroughs that advanced the nation's health, economy, and sustainability and resilience. That experience exposed her to the national landscape of academic research and led her to create a seminar series for incoming CEC faculty on research portfolio development when she completed her NSF detail. Her experience and expertise led to her current appointment to the White House National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC) workforce development sub-committee and to a parallel committee of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Her past appointments include service to the U.S. National Academies/National Research Council, as well as to institutional visiting and review committees both in the United States and Canada. She is a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers and a registered professional engineer.

In summary, Dr. Goodings has over 15 years of exemplary service to Mason with significant contributions in education, research and advancing our reputation. In recognition of her many contributions, I recommend that Dr. Deborah Goodings be granted the status of Dewberry Professor Emerita of Civil, Infrastructure, and Environmental Engineering.,

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James Anthony, PhD, Provost and Executive Vice President

Approval \_\_\_\_ Gregory Washington, PhD, President

This memo certifies that the criteria have been met by this Emeritus candidate according to the Faculty Handbook requirements: full-time Associate or Full Professor with ten or more years of continuous academic service;

nominated by the home unit with the Dean, Provost, and President's recommendations



To: James Antony, PhD, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, President

From: Mark J. Rozell, Dean

Schar School of Policy and Government

Subject: Emeritus Designation for Distinguished Professor David Hart

Date: October 1, 2024

This memo nominates Dr. David Hart as Professor Emeritus of Policy and Government. Dr. Hart first joined Mason as Associate Professor in 2004 after ten years as a professor at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. He served our school as Senior Associate Dean from 2013 to 2015.

Dr. Hart is a senior fellow for climate and energy at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), and previously was assistant director for innovation policy at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, and director of the Center for Clean Energy Innovation at the Information Technology and Innovation. Dr. Hart was named a lifetime Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the world's largest multidisciplinary scientific society, in 2023.

Dr. Hart's work contributed to the expansion of the federal energy R&D budget, the establishment of the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations and the creation of the Foundation for Energy Security and Innovation. Dr. Hart co-authored the books Energizing America (Columbia University Center for Global Energy Policy, 2020) and *Unlocking Energy Innovation* (MIT Press, 2012).

Dr. Hart earned a BA in the Science in Society Program at Wesleyan University, and a PhD from the Department of Political Science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

It gives me great honor to nominate Dr. David Hart for consideration as Professor Emeritus of Policy and Government, effective February 2, 2025.

Approval Disapproval James Antony, PhD, Provost and Executive Vice President

Approval Disapproval Gregory Washington, President



College of Visual and Performing Arts Office of the Dean

To: James Antony, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, President

From: Rick Davis, Dean, CVPA Re: Emeritus designation for Anthony Maiello

Date: October 15, 2024

It is my honor to recommend Distinguished University Professor Anthony (Tony) Maiello (ret.) of the Dewberry School of Music for appointment to the rank of Distinguished University Professor Emeritus, effective December 5, 2024. Tony retired in June, 2024 having served George Mason University for 38 years with distinction, generosity, and (a word I use very seldom) zeal. His work as a teacher and conductor was one of the most important factors in the growth of the Music program at George Mason, and he created a foundation on which the current Dewberry School of Music is still building.

As Director Linda Monson's letter details, Tony Maiello combined a passion for teaching with an internationally-acclaimed career as a conductor, clinician, author, and arranger. His laurels include serving as a cover conductor for Leonard Slatkin and the National Symphony Orchestra; numerous recordings in the band/wind ensemble area; conductor for the Gold Medal Ceremonies at the Lake Placid Winter Olympics; Honorary Conductor, U.S. Navy Band; and many others.

Closer to home, Prof. Maiello founded the American Festival Pops Orchestra under the auspices of our Center for the Arts and Hylton Performing Arts Center's professional presenting series, and built it into one of the premier attractions at both venues. His twelve years of service to AFPO (he retired from that podium in 2022) have created a legacy of top-level music-making that continues to delight audiences in Northern Virginia, and offers professional performance opportunities for select Mason faculty and students (and the occasional Dean).

I endorse this Emeritus appointment with wholehearted enthusiasm.

✓ approved	not approved	James Antony, PhD, Provost
<b>✓</b> approved	not approved	Gregory Washington, PhD, President



College of Visual and Performing Arts Office of the Dean

To: James Antony, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, President

From: Rick Davis, Dean, CVPA

Re: Emeritus designation for Elizabeth Price

Date: October 15, 2024

It is my honor to recommend Associate Professor Elizabeth (Buffy) Price (ret.) of the School of Dance for appointment to the rank of Associate Professor Emerita, effective December 5, 2024. Buffy retired in May, 2021 having served George Mason University for 30 years, in a series of increasingly consequential positions culminating in her brilliant service as Chair/Director of the Department/School of Dance from 2003 to 2013. As Director Susan Shields's letter details, she shaped many aspects of the School, both curricular and production-based, that helped create the nationally-competitive program that we have today.

Buffy's career in New York and D.C. as a dancer, artistic director, and choreographer prepared her well for her innovative and effective approach to integrating professional artists into the School of Dance, both as faculty and guests, another continuing factor in our School's high reputation. Her teaching was always highly regarded, so much so that she won the university's highest teaching honor, the David King Award. And she has continued to support the School as a member of the Dance Partnership Council.

I endorse this Emerita appointment with wholehearted enthusiasm.

✓ approved	not approved	James Antony, PhD, Provost
✓ approved	not approved	Gregory Washington, PhD, President



To: James Antony, PhD, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, President

From: Mark J. Rozell, Dean

Schar School of Policy and Government

Emerita Designation for Distinguished University Professor Louise Shelley

MIR

Date: October 1, 2024

Subject:

This memo nominates Dr. Louise Shelley as Distinguished University Professor Emerita of Policy and Government. Dr. Shelley first joined Mason as Professor in 2007, bringing with her the Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC), first founded in 1997. She was designated Distinguished University Professor in 2011.

Dr. Shelley, among other grants and awards, has held fellowships from the Carnegie Corporation, the Guggenheim, NEH, IREX, Kennan Institute, and Fulbright, and is the recipient of a MacArthur grant. She has testified before numerous U.S. House and Senate committees on issues concerning organized crime, corruption, and trafficking, on which she is an internationally recognized expert. Shelley served on the Global Agenda Council on Illicit Trade and Organized Crime of the World Economic Forum (WEF) and was the first cochair of its Council on Organized Crime. She is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Dr. Shelley is the author of books *Dirty Entanglements: Corruption, Crime and Terrorism* (Cambridge University Press), *Human Trafficking: A Global Perspective* (Cambridge University Press), *Dark Commerce: How a New Illicit Economy is Threatening our Future* (Princeton University Press), among other books, book chapters, and articles.

Dr. Shelley earned a BA in penology and Russian literature from the Cornell University, and a MA in criminology and PhD in sociology from the University of Pennsylvania.

It gives me great honor to nominate Dr. Louise Shelley for consideration as Distinguished University Professor Emerita of Policy and Government, effective February 2, 2025.

Approval <u> </u> Disapproval	James Antony, PhD, Provost and Executive Vice President
ApprovalDisapproval	Gregory Washington, President



College of Visual and Performing Arts Office of the Dean

To: James Antony, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, President

From: Rick Davis, Dean, CVPA
Re: Emeritus designation for Glenn Smith

Date: October 15, 2024

It is my honor to recommend Professor Glenn Smith (ret.) of the Dewberry School of Music for appointment to the rank of Emeritus Professor, effective December 5, 2024. Glenn retired in June, 2023 having served George Mason University for 46 years, helping to build the music and arts profile of the young university with his artistry as a composer, his dedication and passion as a teacher, and his commitment to innovation in matters of curriculum.

As Director Linda Monson's letter details, Glenn Smith's work as a composer achieved wide acclaim, with performances at venues such as Carnegie Recital hall, Wolf Trap Farm Park, National Gallery of Art, Library of Congress, CBC Television, and National Public Radio. He has been repeatedly lauded by ASCAP, the professional society for composers and arrangers.

Glenn's compositional and pedagogical interests have broadened to include music as a healing art, and his creation of an undergraduate minor and a graduate certificate program in this area leaves a lasting legacy of his commitment to the power of music as a positive force in the world beyond its purely aesthetic qualities. In addition, Glenn has been a generous mentor to students, colleagues, and alumni working in this emerging area.

I endorse this Emeritus appointment with wholehearted enthusiasm.

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✓ approved	not approved	Gregory Washington, President



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To: James Antony, Provost and Executive Vice President

Gregory Washington, President

From: Cody W. Edwards, Interim Dean, College of Science

Subject: Emeritus Designation for Dr. Valeriu Soltan

Date: October 14, 2024

Dr. Valeriu Soltan joined George Mason on January 25, 1999 and began work in the Department of Mathematics as an Associate Professor on August 25, 2001. He retired in May 2024 with an exemplary record of teaching and research, and service as a Professor in the College of Science and to the George Mason community. Dr. Soltan also forged relationships and mentored students and junior colleagues and has garnered international recognition in his field. Post retirement, Dr. Soltan is continuing to focus on his research and continues to maintain a relationship with the College of Science.

I am pleased to support the nomination of Dr. Soltan for the rank of Emeritus Professor, as recommended by Dr. Maria Emelianenko, Chair of his former department, Mathematical Sciences. Given Dr. Soltan's contributions and impact at George Mason, it seems fitting that we confer this honor effective upon approval by the Board of Visitors.

Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproval \_\_\_\_\_ James Antony, PhD
Provost and Executive Vice President

Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproval \_\_\_\_\_ Gregory Washington, PhD
President

This memo certifies that the criteria have been met by this Emeritus candidate according to the Faculty Handbook requirements: full-time Associate or Full Professor with ten or more years of continuous academic service, home unit and/or Dean recommendation, Provost recommendation, and the President's recommendation.

## Academic Programs, Diversity, and University Community Committee

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## APPOINTMENT OF FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHCohenMartin1/10/20251.5 years

Title: Instructional Associate Professor Rank: Instructional Associate Professor Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Health Administration and Policy (CPH)

**Das** Sanchari 12/1/2024 3 years

**Title:** Assistant Professor **Rank:** Assistant Professor

Classification: Tenure Track - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

**Gomez Patricia** 9/10/2024 1 year

Title: Term Instructor of Spanish

Rank: Instructor

Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Modern and Classical Languages (CHSS)

**Johnston Craig D.** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Research Assistant Professor Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Physics and Astronomy (COS)

**Kwon Suyoung** 1/10/2025 3 years

**Title:** Assistant Professor **Rank:** Assistant Professor

Classification: Tenure Track - Instructional Local Academic Unit: Nursing (CPH)

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## APPOINTMENT OF FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHMehtaKumar1/10/20253.5 years

**Title:** Instructional Associate Professor **Rank:** Instructional Associate Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

**Mobahi Hedyeh** 1/10/2025 1.5 years

**Title:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Rank:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Health Administration and Policy (CPH)

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## APPOINTMENT OF ADMINSTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEBergeneKarissa9/10/2024

Title: Assistant Director of Research Operations (CISPDS Lab)

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering (CEC)

**Billups** Kesha A. 9/23/2024

**Title:** Health Promotion Nurse Practitioner **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Student Health Services (UL)

**Butler Derek** 9/9/2024

**Title:** Deputy University Auditor

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: University Audit

**Caputy Kiersten J.** 10/21/2024

Title: Associate Director of Constituent Engagement, CEHD

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Crickenberger Taylor 9/25/2024

**Title:** Assistant Director for Financial Well-Being **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Student Support and Advocacy Center (UL)

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## APPOINTMENT OF ADMINSTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEEdneyMarshell N.9/16/2024

**Title:** Assistant Director for Orientation **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: New Student and Family Programs (UL)

**Estell Janard A.** 10/25/2024

Title: Associate Director of Development (Major Gift Officer)

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Intercollegiate Athletics

**Foley Hannah S.** 9/9/2024

Title: Assistant Director, Athletic Communications

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Intercollegiate Athletics

Gandolfo-Muller Marissa L. 10/7/2024

Title: Assistant Director for Sexual and Interpersonal Violence and Student Support Services

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Student Support and Advocacy Center (UL)

**Gibson Kristin** 10/7/2024

Title: Associate Director

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Student Support and Advocacy Center (UL)

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## APPOINTMENT OF ADMINSTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEHarveyKorrin9/25/2024

Title: Associate Director of Graduate Recruitment and Admissions

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Marin Ciro Nicolas 10/7/2024

Title: User Experience Manager

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: University Life Process and Project Management (UL)

Murin Max M. 9/27/2024

Title: Head Assistant Coach, Wrestling
Classification: At will - Admin/Professional
Local Academic Unit: Intercollegiate Athletics

Podesta Kristina 9/16/2024

Title: Senior Research Associate

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Institutional Effectiveness and Planning (Provost)

**Romail Hoorab** 9/9/2024

Title: Coordinator of Residence Life for Residential Academic Engagement

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Housing and Residence Life (UL)

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## APPOINTMENT OF ADMINSTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATERothsteinEmily C.9/16/2024

Title: International Advisor

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: International Programs and Services (UL)

**Ryan** Alexis 10/28/2024

Title: Assistant Director for First-Gen+ Center Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: First Gen+ Center (UL)

Sarro Victoria L. 9/10/2024

Title: Business Analyst for Operations and Continuity

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Office of the Registrar

**Severo** Kelly M. 11/10/2024

**Title:** Director of Student Success Coaching **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Student Success Coaching (UL)

Sinagra Samantha L. 8/25/2024

Title: Assistant Director of Film and Video Studies Program

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Film & Video Studies (CVPA)

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## APPOINTMENT OF ADMINSTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL FACULTY

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATESmithDavid R.9/23/2024

Title: Director of Professional Standards and Internal Affairs

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Police and Public Safety

**Zia** Hilah 10/14/2024

**Title:** Director of Research Administration **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: College of Engineering and Computing (CEC)

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# APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF DEANS/DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT CHAIRS/SCHOOL DIRECTORS

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHChenPushih D.8/25/20241 year

**Title:** Interim Executive Director

Local Academic Unit: Integrative Studies (CHSS)

**Fuchs Cynthia J.** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Interim Director

Local Academic Unit: Film & Video Studies (CVPA)

**Mark Brian L.** 8/25/2024 1 year

**Title:** Interim Chair, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering **Local Academic Unit:** Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

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#### RENEWALS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHAlishettySuman9/10/20241 year

Title: Research Assistant Professor Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Bioengineering (CEC)

**Birerdinc Aybike** 10/10/2024 < 1 year

Title: Research Assistant Professor Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Systems Biology (COS)

**Brown Daniel L.** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Research Associate (Instructor)
Rank: Research Associate (Instructor)
Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Collision Safety and Analysis (COS)

Casserly Charles J. 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Executive in Residence/Instructor of Sport Management

Rank: Instructor

**Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Frederick Joanne J. 8/25/2024 1 year

**Title:** Associate Professor of Education **Rank:** Instructional Associate Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

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LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHGeigerErin K.8/25/20241 year

**Title:** Assistant Professor of Education **Rank:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Gonzalez Samudio David Ignacio 8/25/2024 2 years

**Title:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Rank:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Helsing Jeffrey W. 10/1/2024 1 year

**Title:** Research Associate Professor **Rank:** Research Associate Professor **Classification:** Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution

Note(s): Additional Title: Better Evidence Project Director

**Horak Anne K.** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Project Director

Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

**Krout Linda M.** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Instructor of Physical Education and Health

Rank: Instructor

Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

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## RENEWALS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHLockhartChristopher B.5/10/20241 year

Title: Research Assistant Professor Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Systems Biology (COS)

**Maloney Brenna** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Instructor of Journalism

Rank: Instructor

Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Communication (CHSS)

Note(s): Additional Title: Journalism Coordinator

**Mitsui Ayaka** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Instructor of Japanese

Rank: Instructor

Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Modern and Classical Languages (CHSS)

**Odstrcil Dusan** 1/10/2025 1 year

Title: Research Professor

Rank: Research Professor

Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Physics and Astronomy (COS)

Raines Alexandra R. 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Assistant Professor of Education Rank: Instructional Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

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## RENEWALS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHSchnurJoel M.1/10/2025< 1 year</th>

**Title:** Research Professor **Rank:** Research Professor

Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: College of Science

**Sleeter Nathan M.** 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Research Assistant Professor Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: History and Art History (CHSS)

Note(s): Additional Title: Director of Educational Projects

**Terrell Anthony S.** 8/25/2024 1 year

**Title:** Assistant Professor of Education **Rank:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

**Tomasovic** Susan K. 8/25/2024 1 year

Title: Instructor Rank: Instructor

Classification: Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Communication (CHSS)

**Yu Bo** 8/10/2024 1 year

Title: Research Assistant Professor Rank: Research Assistant Professor Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Center for Excellence in Command, Control, Communications,

Computing, Intelligence and Cyber (CEC)

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## RENEWALS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMEEFFECTIVE DATEAPPT LENGTHZhouWeidong9/25/20241 year

**Title:** Research Associate Professor **Rank:** Research Associate Professor **Classification:** Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Center for Applied Proteomics and Molecular Medicine (COS)

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#### **SEPARATIONS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATEAndalibiAliRetirement08/24/2024

Title: Associate Dean Research COS

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: College of Science

Anthes Daniel W. Resignation 08/16/2024

Title: Director, Technology Services

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: University Life

Note(s): Mr. Anthes has accepted a position with University of Virginia.

**Baker** Robert E. Retirement 01/24/2025

Title: Professor without Term

Classification: Tenured (without term) - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Baldelli Elisa Resignation 10/09/2024

**Title:** Research Associate (Instructor) **Classification:** Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Center for Applied Proteomics and Molecular Medicine (COS)

Barnes James S. Resignation 09/24/2024

**Title:** Instructional Assistant Professor **Classification:** Term - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Mathematical Science (COS)

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LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATEBlackbournAnneContract expiration10/04/2024

Title: Higher Ed Law Fellow

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: University Counsel

Note(s): Ms. Blackbourn has accepted a position with Department of Education.

Buchy Jaclyn K. Resignation 10/18/2024

Title: Senior Director, Specialized Master's Programs

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Callahan Deniz Resignation 10/04/2024

Title: Engineering Planner

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Facilities

Cox Harold Retirement 09/30/2024

Title: Project Director

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Freeman Daniel Resignation 09/20/2024

Title: Director of Development

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Advancement and Alumni Relations

Note(s): Mr. Freeman has accepted a position with Gaston College.

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#### **SEPARATIONS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATEGoodingsDeborah J.Retirement01/09/2025

Title: Professor without Term

Classification: Tenured (without term) - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering (CEC)

Hart David M. Resignation 01/09/2025

Title: Professor without Term

Classification: Tenured (without term) - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Hutchens Leslie Resignation 09/03/2024

**Title:** Director of Parent and Family Philanthropy **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Advancement and Alumni Relations

**Kennedy** Eileen Resignation 10/04/2024

**Title:** Associate Vice President of Development **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Advancement and Alumni Relations

**Note(s):** Ms. Kennedy has accepted a position with Harvard University.

Ledesma Danielle I. Contract expiration 07/24/2024

Title: Psychology Intern

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Counseling and Psychological Services (UL)

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LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATELewisJocelyn A.Resignation08/30/2024

Title: Head, Resource Acquisition

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: University Libraries

Lucal Mary Resignation 08/11/2024

Title: Vice President of Human Resources and Chief Human Resource Officer

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Human Resources

Martin Ansonia Resignation 09/04/2024

Title: Financial Aid Counselor

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Student Financial Aid (Provost)

Morehouse Stephen G. Retirement 10/24/2024

Title: Executive Director of Student Centers, Event Services, and EagleBank Arena

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Auxiliary Services and Operations (SVP)

Myers Daniel Contract expiration 11/29/2024

Title: Technology Mentor

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Office of the Provost

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#### **SEPARATIONS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATEOluseyiHakeem M.Contract expiration05/24/2024

Title: Research Professor

Classification: Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Physics and Astronomy (COS)

Osborne Brittani G. Resignation 10/18/2024

**Title:** Employer Engagement Consultant **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: University Career Services (UL)

**Rollins** Christine Resignation 10/25/2024

**Title:** Coordinator of Care and Outreach **Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Housing and Residence Life (UL)

Note(s): Mrs. Rollins has accepted a position with University of South Carolina.

Sachedina Abdulaziz A. Resignation 10/23/2024

Title: Professor without Term

Classification: Tenured (without term) - Instructional Local Academic Unit: Religious Studies (CHSS)

Sanders Tatiyanna Resignation 09/06/2024

Title: Academic Coordinator

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Intercollegiate Athletics

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#### **SEPARATIONS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATEShelleyLouise I.Retirement01/09/2025

Title: Distinguished University Professor

Classification: Tenured (without term) - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

**Sommer** Philippe Resignation 08/15/2024

Title: Life Science Business Mentor

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Office of the Provost

Stafford Heather Resignation 09/18/2024

Title: Assistant Coach, Women's Rowing Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Intercollegiate Athletics

Thees Windy Resignation 08/15/2024

Title: Assistant Coach, Softbal

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional Local Academic Unit: Intercollegiate Athletics

**Note(s):** Mrs. Thees has accepted a position with Indiana State University.

Watkins Wendy V. Retirement 09/24/2024

Title: Associate University Auditor

**Classification:** At will - Admin/Professional **Local Academic Unit:** University Audit

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## **SEPARATIONS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEFFECTIVE DATEWheelerDiek W.Contract expiration08/24/2024

**Title:** Research Associate Professor **Classification:** Term - Research

Local Academic Unit: Bioengineering (CEC)

Winstead Leigh M. Resignation 08/16/2024

Title: Deputy Director, M-VETS

Classification: At will - Admin/Professional

Local Academic Unit: Antonin Scalia Law School

Note(s): Mrs. Winstead has accepted a position with Marymount University.

Yaroslavtsev Grigory Resignation 05/24/2024

Title: Assistant Professor

Classification: Tenure track - Instructional

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

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#### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEAkhtariHumairaTitle Change

**Title:** Assistant Chair for Undergraduate, Graduate and Online Studies **Local Academic Unit:** Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructor

Albanese Massimilano Title Change

**Title:** Associate Director for the Center for Secure Information Systems **Local Academic Unit:** Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Albanese Massimilano Title Change

Title: Associate Chair for Research, Information Sciences and Technology Department

**Local Academic Unit:** Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Altug Mehmet S. Title Change

**Title:** Director, Center for Retail Transformation **Local Academic Unit:** Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Altug Mehmet S. Title Change

**Title:** Academic Director, MS in Business Analytics **Local Academic Unit:** Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEAntilHarbirTitle Change

Title: Director of the Center for Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence

Local Academic Unit: Mathematical Science (COS)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

**Baldimtsi** Foteini Leave with Partial Pay

Title: Associate Professor

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Note(s): Professor Baldimtsi has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for AY 2024-2025.

Baldo James Title Change

**Title:** Director of the Master of Science in Data Analytics Engineering Program **Local Academic Unit:** Systems Engineering and Operations Research (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Barnes Steven A. Title Change

**Title:** Director, Russian and Eurasian Studies Program **Local Academic Unit:** History and Art History (CHSS)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Bellos Ioannis Title Change

Title: Director, Master of Business Administration (MBA)

**Local Academic Unit:** 

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

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## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEBergColleen F.Title Change

Title: Associate Chair, Department of Mechanical Engineering

Local Academic Unit: Mechanical Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructor

Billingham Lisa A. Leave with Pay

Title: Professor

Local Academic Unit: Music (CVPA)

Note(s): Professor Billingham has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

Britt Thomas Leave with Pay

Title: Professor

Local Academic Unit: Film and Video Studies Program

Note(s): Professor Britt has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring Semester 2025.

Brouse Peggy S. Title Change

Title: Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies, CYSE

Local Academic Unit: Systems Engineering and Operations Research (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Brown Jacquelyn D. Title Change

Title: Instructional Assistant Professor

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Previous Title: Senior Instructor

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAME FIRST NAME TYPE

Burt Jo-Marie Leave with Partial Pay

Title: Associate Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Burt has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for AY 2024-2025.

Chang Kuo-Chu Leave with Pay

Title: Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Systems Engineering and Operations Research (CEC)

Note(s): Professor Chang has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring 2025.

Chitnis Parag Title Change

Title: Associate Chair, Graduate Program, Bioengineering Department

**Local Academic Unit:** Bioengineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Correa-Cabrera Guadalupe Leave without Pay

Title: Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s):

Professor Correa-Cabrera will be on Educational Leave without pay for Academic Year 2024-

2025.

Dakake Maria M. Leave with Pay

**Title:** Associate Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Religious Studies (CHSS)

Note(s): Professor Dakake has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEDanquah-BrobbyPaulaTitle Change

Title: Associate Dean of Access, Belonging and Community Engagement (ABCE)

Local Academic Unit: College of Science

Note(s): Previous Title: Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

**Dhokai** Niyati S. Title Change

Title: Faculty Fellow for Curriculum

Local Academic Unit: College of Visual and Performing Arts

Note(s): Retained Title-Research Associate Professor

**Dunne** Kelly B. Title Change

**Title:** Interim Senior Director of the School of Integrative Studies

Local Academic Unit: Integrative Studies (CHSS)

Note(s): Retained Title-Term Instructor

Dwyer Leslie K. Title Change

Title: Diversity Equity & Inclusion Committee Chair

Local Academic Unit: School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

**Eshete** Zelalem Title Change

Title: KEEN Faculty Learning Community

Local Academic Unit: Mechanical Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEEvans CuellarAlisonTitle Change

Title: Associate Dean for Research

Local Academic Unit: College of Public Health

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

**Eyman Douglas** Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor

**Local Academic Unit:** English (CHSS)

Note(s): Professor Eyman has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

Gaj Krzysztof M. Title Change

Title: Associate Chair for Graduate Programs, ECE

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Garcia Toni C. Title Change

**Title:** Concentration Director, Business Analytics **Local Academic Unit:** Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Senior Instructor

Garrison Daniel J. Title Change

Title: Director of Cardinal Education (formerly CGEP)

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEGarrisonDaniel J.Title Change

Title: Director of Online Programs

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

Gatling Benjamin C. Title Change

Title: Interim Director of MAIS in the School of Integrative Studies

**Local Academic Unit:** English (CHSS)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Genaro Motti Vivian Leave with Partial Pay

Title: Associate Professor

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s):

Professor Genaro Motti has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for the academic year 2024-

2025.

Gest Justin D. Leave with Pay

Title: Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Gest has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

Gilman Lisa M. Leave with Pay

**Title:** Professor without Term

**Local Academic Unit:** English (CHSS)

Note(s):

Professor Gilman will be on Educational Leave with pay for Academic Year 2024-2025.

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEGonzalez SamudioDavid IgnacioTitle Change

Title: Instructional Assistant Professor

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Note(s): Previous Title:Instructor

Gopin Marc Title Change

Title: Faculty Board Chair

Local Academic Unit: Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Grady Victoria M. Title Change

Title: Academic Director, Master of Science in Management (MSM)

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Green Emily H. Title Change

**Title:** Faculty Fellow for Curriculum **Local Academic Unit:** Music (CVPA)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Haddad Bassam S. Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Haddad has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

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LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEHorstmeyerDerek M.Title Change

**Title:** Director, Student Managed Investment Fund **Local Academic Unit:** Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Hull David I. Title Change

Title: Senior Associate Dean

Local Academic Unit: Antonin Scalia Law School

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Dean, Academic Administration

Hunter Brett D. Title Change

Title: Associate Chair of Education, Department of Statistics

**Local Academic Unit: Statistics (CEC)** 

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Irvin-Erickson Douglas S. Title Change

Title: Scheidt Fellow Directorship

Local Academic Unit: Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

Islam Khondkar R. Title Change

Title: Associate Chair for Undergraduate Education

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEJohnsonBret A.Title Change

Title: Academic Director, MS in Accounting

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Jones Rochelle R. Title Change

Title: KEEN Faculty Learning Community

Local Academic Unit: College of Engineering and Computing (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Jones Rebecca M. Title Change

Title: Interim STEM Accelerator Director

Local Academic Unit: Chemistry and Biochemistry (COS)

**Note(s):** Retained Title-Professor

Kathir Nathan Title Change

Title: KEEN Faculty Learning Community

Local Academic Unit: College of Engineering and Computing (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Kathir Nathan Title Change

Title: Director Senior Projects, Department of Mechanical Engineering

Local Academic Unit: Mechanical Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

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**Kelly** Anthony E. Leave with Pay

**Title:** Professor

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Note(s): Professor Kelly has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

Khasawneh Khaled Title Change

Title: Associate Director, C-TASC

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

Kochan Donald J. Title Change

Title: Executive Director, Law and Economics Center Local Academic Unit: Antonin Scalia Law School

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Korostelina Karina V. Title Change

Title: Research Committee Chair

Local Academic Unit: School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Kosoglu Laura Title Change

**Title:** Associate Chair and Graduate Program Director, Sid and Reva Dewberry, CEIE **Local Academic Unit:** Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Term Associate Professor

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LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEKuglerMaurice D.Leave with Pay

**Title:** Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Kugler has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

Kurtay Pelin A. Title Change

Title: Senior Associate Chair, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Kurtay Pelin A. Title Change

Title: KEEN Faculty Learning Community

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

**Note(s):** Retained Title-Professor

Laporte Todd M. Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Laporte has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

Lee Karen T. Title Change

Title: Associate Director, Office of Student Creative Activities and Research (OSCAR)

Local Academic Unit: Undergraduate Education (Provost)

Note(s): Previous Title: Assistant Director, OSCAR

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPELockwoodJennifer S.Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor without Term Local Academic Unit: English (CHSS)

Note(s): Professor Lockwood has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring 2025.

Lopez Bunyasi Tehama M. Title Change

Title: Curriculum Chair

Local Academic Unit: Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Maggioni Viviana Title Change

Title: Undergraduate Program Director, Sid and Reva Dewberry Department of Civil,

Environmental, and Infrastructure Engineering

**Local Academic Unit:** Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Mainkar Avinash V. Title Change

**Title:** BUS 498 Case Competition Coordinator **Local Academic Unit:** Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Associate Professor

Mandaville Peter Leave without Pay

Title: Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Mandaville will be on Educational Leave without pay for Fall 2024.

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEMasonLinda H.Title Change

Title: Endowed Director of the Helen A. Kellar Institute for Human DisAbilities

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor of Education

McDermott Michael W. Tenure Track Contract Extension

Title: Assistant Professor

Local Academic Unit: Art (CVPA)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

McDonald Heather R. Title Change

Title: Writer-in-Residence

**Local Academic Unit:** Theater (CVPA)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Miller Toyah L. Title Change

Title: Director, Research (CIE)

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Novak Andrew Leave with Pay

Title: Instructional Associate Professor

Local Academic Unit: Criminology, Law and Society (CHSS)

Note(s): Professor Novak has been awarded a Faculty Study leave for Spring 2025.

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAME FIRST NAME TYPE

Nykyforovych Maria Tenure Track Contract

Extension

Title: Assistant Professor

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Oh Kyeung M. Title Change

Title: PhD Program Director

**Local Academic Unit:** Nursing (CPH)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor Without Term

Osgood Robert Title Change

Title: Interim Director, MS Program in Telecommunications

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Osgood Robert Title Change

Title: Director, MS in Digital Forensics (DFOR), Department of Electrical and Computer

Engineering

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Owens Thomas C. Title Change

Title: Associate Director, School of Music

Local Academic Unit: College of Visual and Performing Arts

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor of Music without Term

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEParkHayonConversion

Title: Assistant Professor

Local Academic Unit: Art Education (CVPA)

Pathak Parth Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Note(s): Professor Pathak has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring 2025.

Peters-Burton Erin E. Title Change

**Title:** Donna R & David E Sterling Endowed Professor in Science Education **Local Academic Unit:** College of Education and Human Development

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

Pettit Robert Title Change

Title: Associate Chair for Graduate Studies and Director of New Graduate Programs,

Department of Computer Science

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor of Practice

Pham Anh T. Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Pham has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring Semester 2025.

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LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEPlotnickJeremy E.Title Change

**Title:** FPWM Advisory Board Program Fellow **Local Academic Unit:** Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Assistant Professor

Plotnick Jeremy E. Title Change

Title: Concentration Director, FPWM

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Assistant Professor

Plotnick Jeremy E. Title Change

Title: Director of Minor Programs

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Assistant Professor

Raffegeau Tiphanie E. Extension

Extension

Tenure Track Contract

**Title:** Assistant Professor of Kinesiology

Local Academic Unit: College of Education and Human Development

**Rebhuhn-Glanz** Rebecca Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Mathematical Science (COS)

Note(s): Professor Rebhuhn-Glanz has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring

Semester 2025.

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPERequeijoTiago C.Title Change

Title: Academic Director, MS FNAN

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor, Finance

Robinson Gregory J. Title Change

**Title:** Director of Graduate Studies **Local Academic Unit:** Music (CVPA)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Ross Shani E. Title Change

**Title:** Associate Chair, Undergraduate Program **Local Academic Unit:** Bioengineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Associate Professor

**Rothbart** Daniel Title Change

Title: Promotion & Tenure Committee Chair

Local Academic Unit: Philosophy

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor of Conflict Analysis and Resolution

Rytikova Ioulia Title Change

Title: MS AIT Risepoint Online Program Director

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

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Sanders Quentin Tenure Track Contract

Extension

Title: Assistant Professor

Local Academic Unit: Bioengineering (CEC)

Saunders Catherine E. Leave with Pay

Title: Instructional Professor

Local Academic Unit: English (CHSS)

Note(s): Professor Saunders has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring Semester

2025.

Schmidt Bernard Title Change

Title: Assistant Program Director, MS in Data Analytics Engineering Program

Local Academic Unit: MS Data Analytics Engineering Program (CEC)

**Note(s):** Retained Title-Instructor

Schrum Kelly R. Title Change

Title: Interim Director for Graduate Programs and the Higher Education Program

Local Academic Unit: Higher Education Program (CHSS)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Shehu Amarda Title Change

Title: Vice President and Chief AI Officer

Local Academic Unit: Office of Research, Innovation and Economic Impact

Note(s): Previous Title: Associate Vice President of Research for IDIA & Associate Dean for

AII for CEC

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPESherryLance C.Title Change

Title: Associate Chair Research, SEOR

Local Academic Unit: Systems Engineering and Operations Research (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Sincere Shakiyla Leave with Partial Pay

Title: Community Director for Beacon Hall

Local Academic Unit: Housing and Residence Life (UL)

Note(s): Professor Sincere will be on Educational Leave with partial pay for Fall 2024.

Smith Cassandra D. Title Change

Title: Associate Director of Student Success Technology

Local Academic Unit: University Life Technology Services (UL)

Note(s): Previous Title: Assistant Director Off Campus Student Services

Snyder Mark H. Title Change

Title: Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies, Department of Computer Science

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Professor

Sokolov Vadim Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Systems Engineering and Operations Research (CEC)

Note(s): Professor Sokolov has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPESoundararajanShvethaTitle Change

Title: Associate Chair, Department of Computer Science

Local Academic Unit: Computer Science (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Associate Professor

Soyata Tolga Title Change

Title: BS/MS Computer Engineering Coordinator

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor

Stafford Richard T. Title Change

**Title:** Director of Communications **Local Academic Unit:** Honors College

Note(s): Administrative Faculty promoted to the rank of Assistant Professor.

Stufken John Title Change

Title: MS Program Coordinator & Associate Chair of Research, STATS

**Local Academic Unit: Statistics (CEC)** 

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

Sun Kun Title Change

**Title:** Associate Director for the Center for Secure Information Systems **Local Academic Unit:** Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor without Term

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### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPETanyuBurakLeave with Pay

**Title:** Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Professor Tanyu has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Spring 2025.

**Taxman** Faye S. Leave with Pay

Title: Distinguished University Professor

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s):

Professor Taxman has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave with pay for AY 2024-2025.

Therrien Gail D. Title Change

Title: Assistant Chair for Undergraduate, Graduate and Online Studies - IST

Local Academic Unit: Information Sciences and Technology (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor of Practice

Tsirigotis Eugenia P. Title Change

Title: Assistant Area Chair of Accounting

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructor

Vlastara Niki Maria Title Change

Title: Associate Director, Center for Retail Transformation

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Assistant Professor

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEVoughHeather C.Title Change

Title: Program Director, PhD

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Associate Professor without Term

Waters Nakia Title Change

Title: Interim Director

Local Academic Unit: First Gen+ Center (UL)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Director for First-Generation Student Support

Yoho Rachel Title Change

Title: Assistant Director

Local Academic Unit: Stearns Center for Teaching and Learning (Provost)

Note(s): Previous Title: Educational Developer, Stearns Center for Teaching and Learning

Yuckenberg Ashley K. Title Change

**Title:** Writing Intensive Coordinator

Local Academic Unit: Costello College of Business

Note(s): Retained Title-Instructional Assistant Professor

Zeng Kai Title Change

Title: Director, Wireless Cyber Center

Local Academic Unit: Electrical and Computer Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Professor

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#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

LAST NAMEFIRST NAMETYPEZhangXijinTitle Change

Title: KEEN Faculty Learning Community

Local Academic Unit: Civil, Environmental and Infrastructure Engineering (CEC)

Note(s): Retained Title-Assistant Professor

**Zolnik** Edmund J. Leave with Pay

Title: Associate Professor without Term

Local Academic Unit: Schar School of Policy and Government

Note(s): Professor Zolnik has been awarded a Faculty Study Leave for Fall Semester 2024.

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Instructor	1	0	0	0	0	0
Senior Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	0
Master Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professor of Practice	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assistant Professor	1	1	1	1	1	1
Associate Professor	1	1	0	0	0	0
Professor	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative/Professional	0	22	0	0	0	1
Totals	3	24	1	1	1	2
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Instructor	4	2	0	0		6
Senior Instructor	0	0	0	0		0
Master Instructor	0	0	0	0		0
Professor of Practice	0	0	0	0		0
Assistant Professor	3	7	0	0		10
Associate Professor	1	2	0	0		3
Professor	0	2	0	0		2
Administrative/Professional	0	0	0	0		0
Totals	8	13	0	0		21
SEPARATIONS						
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	Leave with pay and Partial pay	Leave w/o pay	Title Change	Conversion	Tenure Track Contract Extension	Total
	25	2	85	1	4	117
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<sup>\*</sup>Summary Excludes Postdoctoral Research Fellows and Research Staff