

CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA

**ACADEMIC SENATE**

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

**REPORT TO**

**THE ACADEMIC SENATE**

**AP-025-212**

**Special Education Subplan/Option in Education, M.A. - Diversity and Special  
Education Emphasis Discontinuation**

**Academic Programs Committee**

**Date: 02/09/2022**

**Executive Committee  
Received and Forwarded**

**Date: 05/18/2022**

**Academic Senate**

**Date: 09/21/2022  
First Reading**

### BACKGROUND:

The Education Department proposes to discontinue the Diversity and Special Education emphasis from the Special Education subplan of the MA Education program.

The rationale for this deletion is to streamline the program and make it less confusing for students. Since the emphasis choice is not articulated anywhere on transcripts or diplomas, faculty have decided that it is an unnecessary part of the special education subplan. All courses will remain, no courses will be deleted, so students may still select a focus on diversity elective graduate courses when planning their MA contract, if interested.

### RESOURCES CONSULTED:

Chairs, all Departments  
Associate Deans, all Colleges  
Dr. Heather Taylor, Special Education Coordinator

### DISCUSSION:

The Academic Programs Committee has consulted with the resources listed above and discussed the proposal. The consultations raised no concerns.

### RECOMMENDATION:

The Academic Programs Committee recommends that the Diversity and Special Education emphasis be discontinued from the Special Education subplan/option in Education, M.A.