

November 8, 2006

SUBJECT: Approval of Change in “Classification of Instructional Program” (CIP) for M.S. in Teaching

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Recommend approval of a change in CIP for the Master of Science in Teaching Mathematics from Mathematics, General (27.0101) to Mathematics Teacher Education (13.1311)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The U.S. Department of Education’s National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES) maintains a Classification of Instructional Programs inventory. The purpose of the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) is to provide a taxonomic scheme that will support the accurate tracking, assessment, and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity.

Florida Atlantic University’s Master of Science in Teaching in Mathematics is a graduate mathematics degree program with emphasis on issues of teaching. It provides both post-baccalaureate education for certified secondary teachers and preparation for teaching at the community college level. It is currently listed on the State University System of Florida Academic Degree Programs Inventory with CIP 27.0101 (Mathematics, General), the same code as the Master of Science in Mathematics. Upon reviewing the curriculum for the MST in Mathematics, the Department of Mathematical Sciences agrees that this degree is more properly coded as CIP 13.1311 (Mathematics Teacher Education).

This addition of CIP 13.1311 will more accurately represent FAU’s offering of the Master of Science in Teaching in Mathematics. The addition of this CIP to the State University System of Florida Academic Program Inventory requires the approval of the FAU Board of Trustees.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

Change will be made upon BOT approval and acknowledgement of the BOG.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

Supporting Documentation: CIP Definitions/MST in Mathematics Curriculum
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