MEMORANDUM

TO: Council on Graduate Studies

FROM: Diane H. Jackman, Dean

College of Education and Professional Studies

DATE: February 8, 2010

RE: Executive Action Item

The following request was received from the Department of Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education. I concur with the revisions and ask the changes be made by executive action. The effective date should be Fall 2010.

Requested Change: to revise the course titles for ELE 5640, ELE 5650, and ELE 5660

ELE 5640 - Teaching and Supervision of Social Studies in Elementary and Middle Schools.

(3-0-3) A study of objectives, content, materials, and strategies in organizing, supervising, and improving social studies programs.

Credits: 3

ELE 5650 - Language Arts in the Elementary and Middle School.

(3-0-3) A critical analysis of language arts instruction with emphasis on the organization of the program, content, materials, and procedures.

Prerequisites & Notes

Eight semester hours in education and psychology.

Credits: 3

ELE 5660 - Science Curriculum in the Elementary and Middle School.

(3-0-3) Scope and sequence of the elementary science curriculum; new experimental curricula; selection of materials and equipment.

Prerequisites & Notes

Six semester hours of science; ELE 3290 or permission of the department chair.

Credits: 3

Rationale for Change: These changes are being requested to ensure that program courses shall be titled and described to include the program options of all students intending to enroll in the courses, and for whom the course syllabus is designed, more specifically, to include Middle School. This more accurately describes what we are doing and does not change course content in any way. In 2008 we made this same request for our undergraduate courses and are now looking to align our graduate coursework.

cc: Dr. Russell