To: Dean Jackman

From: Jeanne Okrasinski, Acting Chair EC/ELE/MLE

Date: April 6, 2017

**Executive Action Requested** 

Requested Change: Add an online mode of delivery to:

Master of Science in Education in Elementary Education

Rationale for the change: The program has long been offered face-to-face, however students are seeking more flexibility towards how courses are offered/completed. Many students who need and desire to further their education are not able to attend traditional class due to distance or other constraints. Moving to an online delivery option allows us to meet the demand for teachers to further their education and gives us the opportunity to stretch our program into areas of the state that do not have easy access to a university for face to face coursework. The online delivery of the program will not change any course content and the integrity of the program will be maintained. All online courses within the program will be taught by faculty who have completed the required training as established by EIU.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: Fall 2017** 

APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT CURRICULUM COMMITTEE & FACULTY: 2/7/2017

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