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Tuesday, January 26, 2021
WebEx Meeting

TOPIC	*SYNOPSIS OF DISCUSSION*
OPENING DISCUSSION *COMMITTEE*	The committee opened with approval of last month's minutes.
NEW TRACK: K-12 INTERVENTION SPECIALIST *CECH* *KATE DOYLE*	Kate Doyle, CECH, presented a request for a graduate track under the Special Education Program, K-12 Intervention Specialist. The proposal was shared with the graduate council and can be found in the saved materials for reference. **Committee Comments:** • A question that was addressed before graduate council and reviewed was the licensing requirements in other states and potential impacts to students in the program, the program has reciprocity with most states and this handled at the college level in partnership with the student and the state they reside in. UC Online is also a partner with this program and will work with the student to determine if the program is a good fit depending on their state requirements. • Question regarding tuition was asked and the cost increase if 18 credits are taken in one semester: most students are part time, generally full time working teachers seeking additional licensing, an outlier would be a full time student and if this occurs, the college will work with the student • *Graduate School approved to move to Academic Committee*
NAME CHANGE REQUEST: NURSING ADMINISTRATION *CON* *JOAN SEVY-MAJERS*	Joan Sevy-Majers, CON, presented a request for a name change for the Nursing Administration DNP and MSN programs. The proposal was shared with the graduate council and can be found in the saved materials for reference. **Committee Comments:** • Question: How does the name changes resonate with students and apply to the job market? Does the name change affect student employment opportunities? Will they know what the program is based on the name? o This question was addressed in an email: the current name is an older name that is no longer used in the workforce and CON is actually behind peer institutions in renaming this program to stay current with the job market and

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student demand. The name change would place us back on track and ensure our program names are up to date and current with terminology used today.

- The name change request is Nursing Administration to Systems Leadership
- *Graduate School approved to move to Academic Committee*.

ETHICS AND ACADEMIC INTEGRITY DISCUSSION

The committee continued discussions started in December regarding the creation of a policy on ethics in academic integrity for programs. The graduate council reviewed and discussed below key points:

- The committee discussed current UC policy and peer institution policies

- A question of penalties was discussed and what those penalties would be for breaking the code of conduct – currently the graduate school works with the office of research to determine penalty
    - Agreement that the graduate school should provide guidance on a range of penalties, dependent on severity of conduct
    - Agreement that programs should have their own process for penalties

- There should be a point of contact for programs to reach out to in regards to the policy, penalties, etc.

- Agreement that USF is a great model for UC to follow (website, policy, process, etc.)

- Discussion and agreement regarding the use of modules for students to complete to learn about the policy and code of conduct
    - Question: who would be responsible for this and where would this be housed
    - Could this applicable to undergraduate students as well

- Agreement that the graduate school could provide a framework for programs to utilize and work within, that allows flexibility, considering all programs are different

- Final agreement points:
    - UC will model USF – create a website that showcases a myriad of resources, that also incorporates and directs to university wide resources (associate deans will be involved at this stage)
    - Solicit feedback from programs and colleges of the draft / strawman
    - Release what we have developed based on above – make changes as necessary