

UNIVERSITY SENATE

**UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**

Introduced by: Graduate Academic Council
University Planning & Policy Council

Date: March 3, 2009

**PROPOSAL TO DISCONTINUE THE
GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN URBAN EDUCATION**

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

1. That the University Senate approves the attached Proposal as endorsed by the Graduate Academic Council and the University Planning & Policy Council
2. That this proposal be forwarded to the President for approval.

TO: John Delano, University Senate Chair

FROM: Robert Bangert-Drowns, Acting Dean

SUBJECT: Discontinuance of Urban Education Certificate of Graduate Studies Program


DATE: January 9, 2009

I approve the proposal from the School of Education to discontinue the Urban Education program leading to a Certificate of Graduate Studies (CGS). The proposal was formally reviewed and approved by the School's Academic Council. (See attached routing and approval form.) The intent of the Urban Education CGS, we believe, is currently better served by the integration of urban education issues throughout our degree programs. I am grateful to those who helped champion the Urban Education CGS in its initiation, and I believe it was the right approach for its time.

The elimination of the certificate program does not have resource implications for the School or the University. We have not admitted new students to the program in recent semesters, and we waited until all students completed the program or passed the statutory timeframe for completion before making this proposal.

cc: Jon Bartow, Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies
Ruth Pagerey, Assistant Dean for Professional Studies, School of Education

TO: John Delano, University Senate Chair



FROM: Ruth L. Pagerey, Assistant Dean for Professional Studies

SUBJECT: Discontinuance of Urban Education Certificate of Graduate Studies Program

DATE: January 5, 2009

The School of Education proposes the discontinuance of the Urban Education program leading to a Certificate of Graduate Studies (CGS).

Regents Regulations for teacher preparation programs that went into effect in 2004 required an increased emphasis on urban education throughout all programs, as well as the re-registration of all programs leading to certification. These changes resulted in primary courses from the Urban Education program being removed as courses from newly registered programs were added. Therefore, there is no longer a need for this standalone certificate program with an urban education focus.

All students have either completed the program or passed the statutory timeframe for enrollment in the program as of August 2008. Therefore, the suggested discontinuance date will be August 30, 2008.

cc: Reed Hoyt, Chair, Planning & Policy Council
Laurence Kranich, Chair, Graduate Academic Council
Jon Bartow, Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies
Robert L. Bangert-Drowns, Acting Dean, School of Education