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| A.1. [Course or program](#Proposal) | SPED 515: Early Childhood Developmental Screening and Assessment |  |
| [Replacing](#Ifapplicable)  |  |  |
| A.2. [Proposal type](#type) | **Course: creation** |  |
| A.3. [Originator](#Originator) | **Kalli Kemp** | [Home department](#home_dept) | **Special Education Department** |
| A.4. [Rationale](#Rationale)/Context | **The purpose of this proposal is to*** **Create a 3-credit course that is designed** to acquaint students with contemporary principles and practices of individualized child and family assessment. The course includes several major components including discussing the principles and practices of the referral and evaluation process for special education for young children, approaches to assessing the development and functioning of young children in the major domains, assessment of family priorities and needs, administering and interpreting assessment results, and using assessment results to develop individualized plans for children.
* SPED 515 is similar to a previous course, SPED 415, that is offered as part of the B.S. in Early Childhood program and is a prerequisite to the M.Ed. in Early Childhood Special Education program. SPED 415 is being revised to be more appropriate for candidates in the B.S. in Early Childhood program, however, that requires that the content previously covered in SPED 415 be provided in the M.Ed. in EC SPED program. This content is important for teacher candidates in this program. This change is expected to provide a better developmental trajectory of learning for candidates in both programs.
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| A.5. [Student impact](#student_impact) | **This course is expected to have positive impacts for candidates in supporting their knowledge and skills in the evaluation and assessment process.**  |
| A.6. Impact on other programs | **Students in the M.Ed. in Severe Intellectual Disabilities take this course. This is expected to have positive impacts for these students.**  |
| A.7. [Resource impact](#Resource) | *[Faculty PT & FT](#faculty" \o "Need to hire new full-time or part-time faculty? This is where you indicate if this proposal will be affecting FLH in your department/program.)*:  | **No impact noted** |
|  | [*Library*:](#library) | **No impact noted** |
|  | [*Technology*](#technology) | **No impact noted** |
|  | [*Facilities*](#facilities): | **No impact noted** |
|  | Promotion/ Marketing needs  | **Promotional materials will be required to communicate updated program and course information.** |
| A.8. [Semester effective](#Semester_effective) | **Fall 2019** | A.9. Rationale if sooner than next fall |  |

B. [NEW OR REVISED COURSES](#delete_if):

|  | New |
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| B.1. [Course prefix and number](#cours_title)  | **SPED 515** |
| B.2. Cross listing number if any |  |
| B.3. [Course title](#title)  | Early Childhood Developmental Screening and Assessment |
| B.4. [Course description](#description)  | **Interdisciplinary assessment procedures and development of IEPs are covered. Emphasis is placed on assessment strategies that are used to develop responsive and meaningful programs for families and children with disabilities.** |
| B.5. [Prerequisite(s)](#prereqs) | **Graduate status,**[**SPED 513**](http://ric.smartcatalogiq.com/2018-2019/Catalog/Courses/SPED-Special-Education/500/SPED-513)**or consent of program advisor.** |
| B.6. [Offered](#Offered) | **Fall**  |
| B.7. [Contact hours](#contacthours)  | **3** |
| B.8. [Credit hours](#credits) | **3** |
| B.9. [Justify differences if any](#differences) |  |
| B.10. [Grading system](#grading)  | **Letter grade**  |
| B.11. [Instructional methods](#instr_methods) | **Lecture**  |
| B.12.[Categories](#required) | **Required for program | Required for Certification** |
| B.13. [How will student performance be evaluated?](#performance) | **Attendance | Class participation Fieldwork | Presentations | Papers |** **Class Work | Projects |**  |
| B.14. [Redundancy with, existing courses](#competing) | **N/A** |
| B. 15. Other changes, if any |  |

| B.16**.** [**Course learning outcomes**](#outcomes)**: List each outcome in a separate row** | [**Professional organization standard(s)**](#standards)**, if relevant**  | [**How will the outcome be measured?**](#measured) |
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| Understand the alternative purposes for which assessment information is collected; such applications include screening, program eligibility, IEP/IFSP planning, progress monitoring, educational planning, program termination, and interagency coordination and collaboration.  | (RIPTS 2, 3, 9; CEC 4; Data-Based Instruction) | Assessment Protocol ReviewClass Assignments |
| Understand essential concepts of tests and measurement (e.g. reliability, validity, normative samples).  | (RIPTS 9; CEC 4, Data-Based Instruction) | Assessment Protocol ReviewClass Assignments |
| To understand the various skills domains in children (e.g. cognitive, developmental, motor, communication, psychosocial) which influence level of functioning, and to become familiar with representative assessment measures in each domain.  | (RIPTS 1, 3, 9; CEC 1, 4; Standards-Based Instruction, Data-Based Instruction) | Assessment Protocol ReviewClass AssignmentsChild and Family Assessment Project |
| To understand methods of identifying family strengths, needs, resources, and priorities as they relate to the assessment, service planning and implementation process, and to consider this information and collaborate with families to make decisions for young children with exceptionalities.  | (RIPTS 7, 11; CEC 1, 4, 6, 7; Equity, Data-Based Instruction) | Child and Family Assessment ProjectClass Assignments |
| To understand the role of cultural and linguistic diversity in assessment selection and interpretation.  | (RIPTS 4, 9, 11; CEC 1, 4, 6; Equity) | Child and Family Assessment ProjectClass Assignments |
| To understand basic principles of assessment administration, interpretation, application, and confidentiality of findings.  | (RIPTS 9, 11; CEC 4, 6; Data-Based Instruction) | Child and Family Assessment ProjectAssessment Protocol ReviewClass Assignments |
| To demonstrate competency in data-based decision making and service planning on the basis of various sources of information.  | (RIPTS 3, 9; CEC 4, 5, 6, 7; Data-Based Instruction) | Child and Family Assessment ProjectClass Assignments |
| To demonstrate competency in writing evaluation reports and preparing standards- and data-based individualized education plans and individualized family service plans on the basis of comprehensive, multi-disciplinary assessment information with active parent participation and decision-making.  | (RIPTS 2, 3, 9; CEC 4, 5, 6, 7; Standards-Based Instruction, Data-Based Instruction) | Child and Family Assessment ProjectClass Assignments |

| B.17. [**Topical outline**](#outline)**: Do NOT insert a full syllabus, only the topical outline** |
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| 1. Evaluation Process
	1. Legal Overview as related to evaluation
	2. Referral
	3. Evaluation
	4. Disability Categories
	5. Special Education Eligibility
	6. Purposes of Assessment
2. Family Involvement
	1. Including Families in Assessment
	2. Eco-Map
	3. Interviewing Families
	4. Assessment with Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Families/Children
3. Standardized Assessment
	1. Norm Referenced Assessments
	2. Reliability
	3. Validity
4. Assessment Models
	1. Observational Assessment
	2. Classroom Assessments
	3. Informal Assessments
5. Assessment of Developmental Domains
	1. Cognitive
	2. Social-Emotional
	3. Communication
	4. Sensory
	5. Motor
	6. Adaptive
	7. Representative Assessment Measures in each Domain
6. Interpreting Assessment Data
	1. Analyzing and Interpreting Assessment Information
	2. Writing Evaluation Reports
7. Assessment to Goals
	1. Writing IEPs
	2. Developing Intervention/Lesson Plans based on Assessment Information
8. Early Childhood Outcomes
	1. Using Assessment Information to Understand Early Childhood Outcomes
	2. Completing COSF forms
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| **INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING THE CATALOG COPY**: The proposal must include all relevant pages from the college catalog, and must show how the catalog will be revised. (1) Go to the “Forms and Information” page on the Graduate Committee website. Scroll down until you see the Word files for the current catalog. (2) Download ALL catalog sections relevant for this proposal, including course descriptions and/or other affected programs. (3) Place ALL relevant catalog copy into a single file. Put page breaks between sections and delete any catalog pages not relevant for this proposal. (4) Using the track changes function, revise the catalog pages to demonstrate what the information should look like in next year’s catalog. (5) Check the revised catalog pages against the proposal form, especially making sure that program totals are correct if adding/deleting course credits.  |

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| Ying Hui-Michael | Chair of Special Education  |  |  |
| Gerri August or Julie Horwitz | Co-Deans of FSEHD |  |  |

##### D.2. [Acknowledgements](#acknowledge): REQUIRED from OTHER PROGRAMS/DEPARTMENTS IMPACTED BY THE PROPOSAL. SIGNATURE DOES NOT INDICATE APPROVAL, ONLY AWARENESS THAT THE PROPOSAL IS BEING SUBMITTED. List all other programs and departments affected by this proposal. Signatures from these departments are required in the signature section. CONCERNS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE GRADUATE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR DISCUSSION.

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| Sue Dell | Program Director of Severe Intellectual Disabilities M.Ed. Program |  |  |
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