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| A.1. [Course](#Proposal) | **SPED 427: Career/Transition Planning: Adolescents with Mild/Moderate Disabilities** | | | | |  |
| [Replacing](#Ifapplicable) | **SPED 427: Career/Transition Planning for Adolescent Learners** | | | | |  |
| A.2. [Proposal type](#type) | **Course: revision** | | | | |  |
| A.3. [Originator](#Originator) | **Marie Lynch** | | [Home department](#home_dept) | | **Special Education** | |
| A.4. [Rationale](#Rationale)/Context | The B.S in Elementary Special Education program courses have been renamed. This change reflects the need to remove deficit-oriented terms, such as “mild/moderate disabilities’ or “disabilities” from all program materials, course titles and descriptions. This is part of an overall Department of Special Education response to recent recommendations put forth by the Rhode Island Department of Education. Thus, the purpose of this proposal is to summarize a change in one of the courses:  **Title & Catalog Description Revisions ONLY**   * **SPED 427: Career/Transition Planning for Adolescents** | | | | | |
| A.5. [Student impact](#student_impact) |  | | | | | |
| A.6. Impact on other programs |  | | | | | |
| 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.)*: | **None** | | | | |
|  | [*Library*:](#library) | **None** | | | | |
|  | [*Technology*](#technology) | **None** | | | | |
|  | [*Facilities*](#facilities): | **None** | | | | |
|  | Promotion/ Marketing needs |  | | | | |
| A.8. [Semester effective](#Semester_effective) | **Spring 2020** | A.9. Rationale if sooner than next fall | |  | | |

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

**COURSE TITLE & CATALOG CHANGE ONLY**

|  | Old ([for revisions only](#Revisions) – list only information that is being revised) | New |
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| B.1. [Course prefix and number](#cours_title) | **SPED 427** | **SPED 427** |
| B.2. Cross listing number if any |  |  |
| B.3. [Course title](#title) | **Career/Transition Planning: Adolescents with Mild/Moderate Disabilities** | **Career/Transition Planning for Adolescents** |
| B.4. [Course description](#description) | Focus is on career and transition planning for adolescents with mild/moderate disabilities at the middle grades or secondary level. Observation/field experience required. | Teacher candidates focus on career and transition planning for adolescents with special needs at the middle grades or secondary level. Observation/field  experience required. |

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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. |

## D. Signatures

* Changes that directly impact more than one department/program MUST have the signatures of all relevant department chairs, program directors, and relevant dean (e.g. when creating/revising a program using courses from other departments/programs).
* Proposals that do not have appropriate approval signatures will not be considered.
* Type in name of person signing and their position/affiliation.
* Send electronic files of this proposal and accompanying catalog copy to [graduatecommittee@ric.edu](mailto:graduatecommittee@ric.edu) and a printed or electronic signature copy of this form to the current Chair of Graduate Committee. Check Graduate Committee website for due dates.

##### D.1. Approvals: required from programs/departments/deans who originate the proposal. may include multiple departments, e.g., for joint/interdisciplinary prposals.

| Name | Position/affiliation | [Signature](#_Signature) | Date |
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| Marie Lynch | Program Director, M.Ed. in Elementary and Secondary Special Education |  |  |
| Ying Hui-Michael | Chair, Special Education Department |  |  |
| Jeanine Dingus-Eason | Dean, Feinstein School of Education and Human Development |  |  |

##### 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.

| Name | Position/affiliation | [Signature](#Signature_2) | Date |
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| Paul LaCava | Program Director, M.Ed. in Exceptional Learning Needs |  |  |