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TO: Daniel Holland, Chair, Academic Senate
FROM: Jean Standard, Chair, University Curriculum Committee
RE: Proposal to Delete the Minor in Mathematics for Teacher Education

The University Curriculum Committee has approved and is forwarding for Academic Senate review the attached Department of Mathematics proposal to delete the Minor in Mathematics for Teacher Education.

The Department of Mathematics has requested the deletion of the Minor in Mathematics for Teacher Education. They presented the following rationale: The State of Illinois has changed their requirements for a secondary teacher education student to be "Highly Qualified" in order to teach mathematics. Such a student can now accomplish this designation only through the secondary education sequence in the mathematics major; hence the Teacher Education minor is no longer appropriate as it will not lead to certification at the secondary level in mathematics.

Several years ago, the Council for Teacher Education and the University Curriculum Committee suggested that all departments/schools submit proposals for the purpose of deleting the teacher education minors because these minors do not lead directly to teacher certification and having them in the catalog could be misleading to students. Most departments/schools have complied.

If approved by the Academic Senate the Minor in Mathematics for Teacher Education will be removed from the *2014-2016 Undergraduate Catalog*.

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Enclosure