

## PROPOSAL FOR COURSE CHANGE

To: Curriculum Committee  
 From: Mathematics Department  
 Date Submitted: September 30, 2008  
 Request for: Course change  
 Math 3033 Methods of Teaching Elementary Mathematics  
 Submitted by: Dr. Kathy Pearson  
 Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Approved By: Department Head:                      Dr. Tom Limperis  
 Dean of School: Wally Hoefler Dr. William Hoefler,  
 Reviewed by: Registrar: Tammy Rhodes Ms. Tammy Rhodes  
 Vice President:                      Dr. John Watson

This is a request to add a prerequisite of **admission to Stage II** to the existing prerequisite (Math 2043) for Math 3033, Methods of Teaching Elementary Mathematics.

**Rationale:**

Math 3033 is a course emphasizing the content and research-based instructional pedagogy for grades K – 6. Although Math 3033 is placed in the second semester of the junior year in the curriculum for Early Childhood Education, there has been a recent trend over the past few years of students enrolling in their sophomore year. Many of these students have not successfully completed their Praxis I and/or ECED 2001 (Introduction to Early Childhood Education and/or ECED 2002 (Field-Based Seminar in Early Childhood), all of which are required for admission to Stage II.

As the only course designed to prepare students to teach mathematics in an elementary and middle school setting, there is much ground to cover in a 3 hour course. This change will provide a level of maturity and background that will enhance student learning in this course.

app TEE 10/23/08  
 app CC 11/14/08  
 app FS 12/3/08

List Department Head/

Indicate Support

Date:

Program Director Consulted:

for Proposal

(Add to list as needed)

(yes/no)

1. David Bell ECED

yes

9/30/08

2. V. Carole Smith MLED

yes

9/30/08

If no, please attach explanation from responding Department Head indicating why they do not support the proposal.

**\*Note: Each new course proposal must include a short explanation describing how the new course integrates with the assessment process of the department in which the course will be taught.**

\*Updated 8/1/04

\*\*Updated 9/1/05

Outline in specific detail how your proposal will alter the program (include course number and title):