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ITEM 164-2804-R0914

Notice of intent to withdraw the Bachelor of Science Education (B.S. Ed.) in Health and Physical Education (K-12) from Moratorium

THAT

MSU-Northern requests Board of Regents approval to withdraw the B.S. Ed. degree in Health & Physical Education (K-12) from moratorium.

EXPLANATION

MSU-Northern seeks permission to remove the B.S. Ed. degree in Health and Physical Education K-12 from moratorium. The Program Prioritization process cited difficulty in finding qualified faculty to teach curriculum for Health Promotion as the reason for this moratorium. Since the Program Prioritization process, two highly qualified faculty have been hired. In hiring these new faculty, there now exists the capability in teaching the HPE curricula at MSU-Northern, meeting the needs of various school districts across Montana. The FT faculty are supported in offering the courses in this program by FT staff in athletics who hold half-time teaching assignments at MSU-Northern. All of these faculty are master's prepared or close to completion of a master's degree. If approved, Northern will begin intake of new students for this program in Fall 2015.

MSU-Northern serves a unique population of potential secondary education teachers who are focused on teaching for rural public schools and Indian schools in the northern third and other rural areas of Montana. There is demand by these schools to provide more teachers, specifically those trained in Health and Physical Education for grades K-12.

ATTACHMENTS

No attachments