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FROM: Charles E. Mason  
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SUBJECT: Explanation for Accepting Brevity of the Proposal for the Master of Education in School Leadership

The Faculty Senate Graduate Studies Committee has accepted the short four-page proposal for the proposed new major in School Leadership for the Master of Education degree because of special circumstances. Most school education programs at the University of Delaware are bound by the requirements of the State of Delaware and the various certification agencies in order to prepare teachers and school administrators to meet the certification standards. The content of the majors within the various degrees offered are fairly well set by government regulations and policies. Consequently, the Graduate Studies Committee members felt in reviewing this proposal that it is unnecessary for an Education program of this nature to have to respond to all of the details called for in the Senate outline for proposing new programs. We felt the content of the proposal was sufficient for the purpose of judging the academic components and quality of the program in order to recommend approval of this new major for provisional status.