

TO: College of Education and Professional Studies, Curriculum Committee,  
and Dean Hitch

FROM: Kathlene S. Shank

Re: Modification of SPE 3500, Catalog Copy

Date: 10/1/01

The Department of Special Education respectfully requests modification of the SPE 3500 catalog description by Executive action.

Current description is as follows:

**3500 SPE. The Education of Individuals with Exceptionalities. (3-0-3)** Identification of individuals with exceptionalities and a study of the educational needs of individuals with exceptional characteristics, including, but not limited to, children labeled learning disabled. Appropriate methods of instruction employable by classroom teachers, and educational programs designed to meet individual needs in the public school will be examined. Not open to students whose major is Special Education. Prerequisite: Junior standing. "University Admission to Teacher Education" requirements apply.

The only catalog change we are requesting is that it become a (3-1-3) course. The reason for this is to allow us to better meet the standards for all teachers specific to education of individuals with disabilities.

While there are some changes which will occur in the syllabi content-wise, they are non-substantative. The changes will be in use of language in the syllabi to best reflect standards and in the assignments and the format of course delivery.

Modified catalog will read:

**3500 SPE. The Education of Individuals with Exceptionalities. (3-1-3)** Identification of individuals with exceptionalities and a study of the educational needs of individuals with exceptional characteristics, including, but not limited to, children labeled learning disabled. Appropriate methods of instruction employable by classroom teachers, and educational programs designed to meet individual needs in the public school will be examined. Not open to students whose major is Special Education. Prerequisite: Junior standing. "University Admission to Teacher Education" requirements apply.

TO: Council on Academic Affairs  
FROM: Blair Lord, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs  
RE: Request for Executive Action  
DATE: October 1, 2001

As Executive Officer of the Council on Academic Affairs, I approve the item above effective immediately.