

INSTRUCTION COUNCIL

MINUTES

May 15, 2026
EMAIL VOTE

Curriculum

Program Modification:

College of Education and Human Sciences

Previous Proposal (which was presented as the following and tabled on 2/19/26 for further internal discussions about a Foundation piece of this work and to get a better understanding of the intended audience and approach discussion):

Graduate Certificate in Nonviolence, Healing, and Peace Education (New) – TABLED on 2/19/26

New program request

- Delivery method: Traditional and Online
- Total credit hours: 12
- Reason for requested action: To equip educators with the knowledge and strategies to practice nonviolence in curriculum and self-education, foster trauma-sensitive teaching, and support students' learning in compassionate and peaceful environments.

New Proposal:

Graduate Certificate in Teacher Development, Conflict Transformation, and Compassionate Education (New)

New program request

- Delivery method: Traditional and Online
- Total credit hours: 12
- Reason for requested action: To equip educators with the knowledge and strategies to practice nonviolence in curriculum and self-education, foster trauma-sensitive teaching, and support students' learning in compassionate and peaceful environments. The program addresses issues such as reducing violence; improving nonviolent relationships; increasing self-compassion; and promoting mindful communication. Educators in the certificate will learn how to integrate nonviolence into their daily practices to meet the complex challenges facing education and society today.

This College of Education and Human Sciences new program request was approved via an email vote on 5/15/2026.