

**Graduate Policy Alteration**

**MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY**

**☒ PROPOSAL FOR ALTERATION TO GRADUATE POLICY MANUAL**

College/School: CEHS

Department: Curriculum and Teaching

Current Policy (note section number and name from policy manual):  
1.2.2.: Specific Program Admission Criteria

Effective Date: September 2008

**Attachments:**

- 1. Description and rationale of proposed alteration. Attach current and proposed wording of Graduate Policy Manual.**
- 2. Obtain signature(s) of the chairperson(s) of the relevant department(s) affected by this change.**

Reborah Eldridge  
Department Chairperson/Director

9/31/08  
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Chairperson, The Graduate Council

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Dean, The Graduate School

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### CURRENT POLICY

1.2.2: Specific Program Admission Criteria – there are currently no specific program admission criteria for the M. Ed. In Special Education

### PROPOSED ALTERATION: M. Ed. In Special Education

GREs are not required for students who are in the Teacher of Students with Disabilities (TSD: Additional certification) program who wish to change to the M. Ed. In Special Education if they have completed 12 credits in the TSD program with a minimum GPA of 3.0.

### RATIONALE

The M. Ed. In Special Education leads to certification as Teacher of Students with Disabilities, an additional certification for those who already hold general education certification, and a master's degree. Students can begin in the Teacher of Students with Disabilities program, which provides only the TSD certification (24 credits) and change to the M. Ed In Special Education (24 TSD credits plus 9 additional credits) before they complete the TSD program, or can begin by applying directly to the M. Ed. in Special Education. There are 24 credits in common to both programs, the credits needed for certification. GREs add nothing to the admission decision process when a student currently is in the TSD program and is changing program from TSD to M. Ed. in Special Education; once a student has completed 12 credits in the TSD program and has earned a minimum GPA of 3.0, it is evident that the student can complete the graduate program.