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Good morning, Katie!

Please find an informational item from the Department of Educational Studies in the College of Education and Human Ecology to make minor revisions to PhD in Educational Studies. Dean Stromberger has reviewed this and expressed no major concerns.

Please feel free to reach out to Dusty, cc'd, with any additional questions regarding the informational item. Thanks!

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June 30, 2026

W. Randy Smith, Ph.D.  
Vice Provost for Academic Programs  
Office of Academic Affairs

Dear Vice Provost Smith,

The Council on Academic Affairs approved a revision to the Ph.D. in Educational Studies on November 19, 2025 (shown on page two of this coverletter). As we began implementing the revised program, we identified some unintended errors in how course prefixes, numbers, and titles were listed in the submitted proposal. The courses in question are all approved; however, these typographical errors were not identified prior to final approval. Before the program officially begins, we would like these corrections to be formally noted.

The proposal approved on November 19, 2025, listed the following:

**Core 2 Courses (12 hours)**

- EDUCST 8201 – School and Society: Inequality in Social Context
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- EDUCST 7461 – Current Controversies in Educational Policy and Practice
- EDUCST 8875 – Professional Writing and Publishing

The corrected version should read as highlighted:

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○ ESEPSY 7401 – Controversies, Myths, and Dilemmas in Education
- ~~EDUCST 8875 – Professional Writing and Publishing~~  
○ ESSPED 8875 – Professional Writing/Publishing in Special Education

We apologize for the oversight and for not identifying these errors prior to final submission.

Sincerely,

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**Educational Research, Policy, and Practice Ph.D. Specialization Program Requirements**  
**(Current, as approved by CAA on November 19, 2025)**

**60 credit hours, post masters**

**Program Requirements**

**Common Core (24 hours)**

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- EDUCST 6891 - Proseminar in Educational Studies (3) (revised)

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