**Differential Tuition Approval Form**

Department: Departments with in the College of Education offering professional development

Program: Professional development offered in conjunction with MS degrees within the COE:

Amount of Differential: $200.00 Per credit hour

Why do you need differential tuition to accomplish your goal?

Currently School Districts (St. Peter, Albert Lea) have purchased professional development from the College of Education. As a result two issues have emerged: (1) candidates have expressed interest in obtaining graduate credit concurrently, and (2) how can the College of Education provide a flexible model that is inclusive of all departments while meeting the needs of individual school districts and K-12 educators.

It should be noted that the amount requested is a reduction or cap for the cost of graduate credit in which the candidate requesting the reduced rate is a teacher or administrator within the school district purchasing professional development from the College of Education. The cost to cover the expense of faculty will be offset by the purchasing of professional development by the school district (See table one).

Note: This will only apply for individuals who are participating in professional development, and are currently employed by the school district that has purchased the professional development.

In the model that is purposed, school districts will purchase professional development courses from the College of Education. Each Professional Development Course Includes:

- One MSU Instructor for every 20 participants
- Professional development incremented in 15 hours
- Onsite location (when schools share an option, site will be jointly determined)
- Collaboratively planned schedule
- Access to MSU resources (library, online instruction and resources)
- Interactive learning community format
- Learning tied to school/district needs for continuous improvement
- Follow-up coaching for application of learning to the school/district site

Under this model, the option to offer graduate credit at a reduce rate would be available for all departments within the College of Education offering professional development to school districts. This would provide the flexibility needed by departments and hopefully attract the K-12 educator to complete a certificate, Masters Degree or Specialist Degree within the College of Education.
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How will the differential be spent? Since this is a reduction in fees, there will be no revenue created by this system.

Please attach a detailed budget to this form.

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The proposed budget includes the consideration of purchasing 1-3 credits of instructional time (professional development) from faculty across the College of Education and the departments within the College.

Signed: College Curriculum Committee Chair  
Signed: College Dean  
Signed: UCAP or Grad Committee Chair  
Signed: LTR or DL Task Force  
Signed: Budget Committee Chair  
Signed: Academic Affairs Council  
Signed: FA President  
Signed: MSSA President

*If applicable