## **OAKLANDUNIVERSITY**

## **GRADUATE COUNCIL**

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TO: Virinder Moudgil

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FROM: Darlene Schott-Baer

Interim Vice Provost for Graduate Education

**RE:** Master of Education in Higher Education Leadership

On behalf of the Graduate Council, I am pleased to forward a recommendation that Oakland University implement the proposed new MEd in Higher Education Leadership program effective Fall 2012.

The new program in The School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) will focus on Higher Education Leadership and complement the two existing master's Degree programs preparing leaders in k-12 education. Graduates of the program will be eligible for Michigan Department of Education Basic Administrative Certification. The proposal program would serve a growing number of prospective students interested in higher education settings. While the existing PhD Cognate and Post-master's certificate in Higher Education target individuals in mid-career looking to advance their opportunities as college or university administrators this new program would meet the needs of the entry level professional and those who wish to explore post-secondary administration for their vocation.

The program is 32 credits and includes a capstone internship experience. Students can specialize in two distinct areas: academic affairs or student affairs leadership. Faculty teaching in this program will come from two units within SEHS, Department of Educational Leadership, Counseling Department and others within the university having appropriate expertise. The program can be offered using existing resources within the unit as recent hiring and a faculty line are being utilized to support the educational leadership focus of this department.