

Memorandum

To: Office of Field Experiences Advisory Board

Dr. Tony Coletta, Dr. Diane Falk, Dr. Ismael Flores-Marti, Dr. Peter Griswold, Professor Sue Mankiw, Dr. Gerri Mongillo, Dr. Maggie Williams

CC:

From: Nancy Norris Bauer

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Re: Office of Field Experiences Advisory Board Motion to College Council, College of Education

Whereas, urban is defined as, “concerned with a city or densely populated area;” (*Princeton University*, 2009) and

Whereas the NCATE definition of “diversity” includes a broader definition which includes “exceptional students and students from different ethnic, racial, gender, socioeconomic, language and religious groups;” and

Whereas the OFE uses both NCATE standards and District Factor Groupings of A, B, C/D to identify diverse and urban schools for field placements; and

Whereas, urban districts such as Paterson and Passaic are limited in the number of placements they can accept. The OFE Advisory Board continues to support the use of the NCATE definition of diversity within the OFE policies. Additionally, the OFE Advisory Board recommends the to the College Council continued use of the two D/E districts (Wharton and Englewood) for “diverse” field placements, based on the following comparison of data:

District	DFG	Poverty	African American	Hispanic	Caucasian	Asian
Garfield	B	14%	7%	40%	51%	2%
Wharton	D/E	10%	5%	48%	40%	7%
Englewood	D/E	9%	53%	33%	6%	8%
Lodi	B	11%	7%	38%	43%	12%

(*New Jersey: A State Guide to All Public and Nonpublic K- 12 Schools*, 2009)

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