STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS March 19, 2015

SUBJECT: Ph.D. and Ed.D. in Mental Health Counseling (CIP 51.1508) at the University of Florida

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider termination of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Mental Health Counseling at the University of Florida, CIP Code 51.1508.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 8.012

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of Florida (UF) is requesting to terminate the Ph.D. and Ed.D. programs in Mental Health Counseling. As the result of the UF/BOG Program Review and the Doctoral Program Improvement Plans, as well as the relatively small enrollments in the programs, the faculty determined that multiple doctoral majors within the counselor education area should be streamlined into one major. The proposed terminations have no impact on enrollment, enrollment planning, or allocation of resources since existing students can complete this major and new admits beginning Fall 2013 have been channeled into an existing degree program Counseling and Counselor Education (CIP 13.1101) with a concentration in Mental Health Counseling.

The UF Board of Trustees approved the termination of the program on December 5, 2014. If approved by the Board of Governors, the program termination will be back-dated effective Fall 2013 with a phase-out date of Summer 2015.