

**February 20, 2018**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Academic Senate Executive Committee

**FROM:** University Graduate Committee  
Chair, Marilyn Wilson

**RE:** Elevation from option to independent program for Speech Pathology

MSC: 2/6/18. The UGC unanimously agrees to support the elevation of the graduate Speech Pathology program from an option in the M.A. in Communicative Sciences and Deaf Studies to the Master of Arts in Speech Pathology.

We are satisfied that this is program of highest quality. Furthermore, there is a historical demand for persons trained in Speech Pathology, locally and nationally. The program has regularly had many more qualified applicants than can be accepted, and graduates students in a timely manner who are well trained to work in clinics and schools.

The elevated program has the same faculty and curriculum, so no additional resources are needed.

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