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Proposed Resolution Supporting  
New Doctoral Degree Authority  
for San Francisco State  
University

WHEREAS SB 724 authorizes the CSU to offer a new independent doctoral degree Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Education, broadly defined as leadership for community colleges and K-12 administrators focused on preparing administrative leaders for California public elementary and secondary schools and community colleges and on the knowledge and skills needed by administrators to be effective leaders in California public schools and community colleges;

WHEREAS This may be the first of multiple, related program development opportunities at the doctoral level, and is unlike any program prior;

WHEREAS San Francisco State University has well established policies and precedent for faculty-driven curriculum and program development;

WHEREAS The Academic Senate recognizes the urgency necessary to and involved in the development of the Ed.D.; therefore, be it

RESOLVED That the Academic Senate support the development of such a curriculum in keeping with the existing policies regarding new programs;

RESOLVED That the Academic Senate encourage timely action in moving these policies forward and, with faculty input, amending them as may be necessary for programs of this nature; and be it further

RESOLVED That in the spirit of interdisciplinary, collaborative, and innovative curriculum development the Academic Senate encourages the involvement of the College of Education and all interested faculty members on campus in the creation of this exciting and entirely new program; and be it further
RESOLVED That the Academic Senate authorize the Chair and the Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs to form a task force to develop a doctoral proposal and its feasibility that addresses the following areas:

- curriculum
- quality parameters
- faculty doctoral program workload
- qualifications for doctoral faculty
- governance structure
- fee structure and allocation of academic resources
- other areas as appropriate

SB 724 can be accessed at:

http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/bill/sen/sb_0701-0750/sb_724_bill_20050822_chapte...

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