ACADEMIC COUNCIL REPORT

ACTION REQUESTED:

Recommendation	☐
Decision	☒
Discussion/Direction	☐
Information	☐

DATE: 28 July 2020

FROM: Undergraduate Studies Committee

SUBJECT: Major Program Modification – Minor program in Educational Studies and Digital Technology

COMMITTEE MANDATE:
In accordance with the Undergraduate Studies Committee (USC) Terms of Reference, USC has the responsibility "to examine proposals for new undergraduate degree programs and major changes to existing programs and to recommend their approval, as appropriate, to the Academic Council".

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION:
That, pursuant to the recommendation of the USC, Academic Council hereby approve the new Minor program in Educational Studies and Digital Technology, as presented.

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT & RATIONALE:
The Faculty is proposing a new Minor program in Educational Studies and Digital Technology that will be available to students of other Majors at the University. This can be combined with other disciplines to prepare a student for a career that involves training and education in corporate, governmental, and non-governmental (NGO), community-based, and professional workplace environments. The Minor consists of six courses (18 credit hours). A cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in the minor courses is required to successfully complete the Educational Studies and Digital Technology minor.

RESOURCES REQUIRED:
There are no financial or human resource impacts related to this change. There are sufficient spaces available within each of the courses to accommodate additional students considering that elective students are already taking these courses. The program is fully online, so no physical resources are required.

TRANSITION PLAN:
None, program will be available as of Fall 2021.

CONSULTATION AND APPROVAL:
Undergraduate Studies Committee Recommendation: 16 June 2020
Faculty Council Approval: May 25, 2020
Curriculum Committee Approval: May 15, 2020

NEXT STEPS:
- Pending the approval of Academic Council this change will be included in the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:
- [Major Program Modification Proposal](#)