Office of the Executive Vice President & Provost

MEMORANDUM

1 June 2012

To: UNLV Campus Community

From: Michael W. Bowers
Executive Vice President & Provost

Subject: Approved Name Change: From Department of Educational Research, Cognition, and Development

To: Department of Educational Psychology and Higher Education

The NSHE Academic Affairs Council approved the following name change at their May 4, 2012 meeting. This is the final approval.

FROM: Department of Educational Research, Cognition, and Development

TO: Department of Educational Psychology and Higher Education

Effective Date: July 1, 2012

In June of 2011, as a part of the reorganization of the College of Education, the higher education program was added to the educational psychology program and the resulting department was named Educational Research, Cognition, & Development. An unintended consequence of the new name was the loss of national recognition in the U.S. News & World Report publication of best graduate programs (Educational Psychology). The name has proven to be detrimental in recruiting efforts as colleagues in other
institutions have assumed that the educational psychology and higher education programs were dismantled as a result of the financial difficulties in Nevada. This new simple and descriptive department name will enable the two programs to regain clear visibility, will assist with student recruitment, and will help in re-establishing the links with external program supporters.

Please note for lists, databases, and generation of appropriate codes, etc.

For further information, please contact the department at (702) 895-3253.

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