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Dr. Jim Jeffery, Dean
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Dear Dr. Jeffrey:

The Michigan Department of Education is pleased to inform you that Andrews University's amendment to prepare teachers for English as a Second Language (NS) has been approved. This program may be offered as a minor for Elementary and Secondary teaching certificates.

The program is subject to continuing approval. As you are aware, the State Superintendent has identified a number of initiatives to reform educator preparation in Michigan. These initiatives include requiring national accreditation for all educator preparation institutions. All program re-approvals will be based on national accreditation decisions which rely on outcome measures selected to demonstrate the program has prepared well-qualified teachers. Your institution is encouraged to continue collecting outcome data, which is aligned with the educator preparation program standards approved by the State Board of Education for each specialty-area.

Should you have questions regarding this approval or other aspects of this program, please contact Dr. Sean Kottke, Education Consultant, at KottkeS@Michigan.Gov.

Sincerely,

Leah C. Breen
Assistant Director
Office of Professional Preparation Services

Enclosure

cc: Lee Davidson

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Amended Program

Recommendations from Review Panel Regarding Programs to Prepare Teachers of English as a Second Language (NS)

April 10, 2014

Institution: Andrews University					
Program Level	Major (# Credits)	Minor (# Credits)	Group Major (# Credits)	Group Minor (# Credits)	Endorsement (# Credits)
Elementary		21			
Secondary		21			
K-12					
Source of Standards/Guidelines: State Board of Education				Pub. Date: July 13, 2004	
Program Assessment Summary/Recommendation					
X	Meets all standards and requirements	Not all standards and requirements are met		Insufficient documentation for program review	
X	Approval	Approval Pending		Approval Suspended	
Standards/Requirements Not Met:					
Additional information needed/action to be taken:					
Comments: Congratulations on a successful review. The minor program changes being implemented to the NS endorsement program to 1) consolidate multiple overlapping courses [ENGL 435: Topics – The TESL Professional (1 SH), ENGL 435: Topics – Teaching & Learning for the TESL Classroom (1 SH), and ENGL 465: TESL Methods (2 SH)] into a single course [ENGL 456: Introduction to TESOL Theories, Methods, and Issues (4 SH)] and 2) offer a choice of courses for building candidate capacities in understanding the intersection of language and culture [ENGL 440: Language and Culture OR COMM 436: Intercultural Communication] – particularly germane to Standards 1.0 (Language, Linguistics, Comparisons) and 2.0 (Cultures, Literatures, Cross-Disciplinary Concepts) – are laudable for increasing the flexibility of Andrews' program pathways for candidates in a high need area.					