

**Agendum
Oakland University
Board of Trustees Formal Session
June 26, 2026**

ADOPTION OF THE CHANGE FROM SECONDARY EDUCATION WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION, MAT, GRADUATE PROGRAM NAME CHANGE TO MAT IN SPECIAL EDUCATION K-12

A Recommendation

1. Division and Department: Academic Affairs, School of Education and Human Services, Department of Human Development and Child Studies (HDCS), in partnership with the Department of Teaching and Learning (DTL).

2. Introduction: The School of Education and Human Services is requesting to change the name of the major from Master of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Education with Special Education to Master of Arts in Teaching in Special Education K-12. This is to improve alignment with current industry norms.

3. Previous Board Action: The Oakland University Board of Trustees approved the creation of the degree on October 11, 2021.

4. Budget Implications: None.

5. Educational Implications: The name change will allow students to have a degree that is consistent with the current industry norms.

6. Personnel Implications: The name change does not affect or impact staff or faculty.

7. University Reviews / Approvals: Unanimously approved by the School of Education and Human Services on 12/10/2025. HDCS and DLT approved on 01/08/2026; Graduate Council approved the amendment to modify the name of the program on 03/05/2026; Unanimously approved by the University Senate on April 16, 2026.


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8. Recommendation:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the change in the program and degree title from the Master of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Education with Special Education to the Master of Arts in Teaching in Special Education K-12.

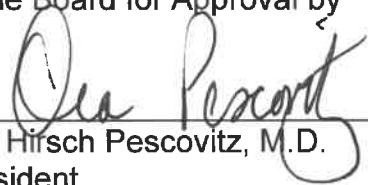
9. Attachments: Senate Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2026.

Submitted to the President
on 6/11, 2026 by

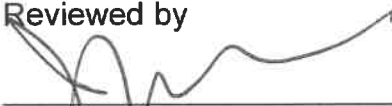


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Recommended on 6/11, 2026
to the Board for Approval by



Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.
President

Reviewed by


Joshua D. Merchant, Ph.D.
Chief of Staff and
Secretary to the Board of Trustees