IUPUI GAC Reviewer Form

Documents Reviewed: Masters of Science in Education in Technology for Learning To Be Offered by Indiana University at Indianapolis

Summary of Proposal:

- 1. Are the goals clear and achievable?
 - a. I am not sure all the resources are there to make the program successful. Is the school of education committed to hire a program director and an additional faculty to start this program? There is no letter stating this will happen.
- 2. Is the program academically sound?
 - a. Yes, the proposal was well written and it is academically sound. The student outcomes, assessments, and PGPL are mapped accordingly.
- 3. Are faculty resources available to offer this program without undercutting other key missions of the unit?
 - a. School will need to hire a new faculty to direct the program and additional faculty in this program. This is at least over \$200,000 additional expenditure to start this program.
- 4. Is there overlap, either real or potential, with any other unit that could harm the program or be exploited to help the program?
 - a. According to the proposal there are already **four technology master in the state of Indiana**. The only rationale given is that this program will focus on urban education. Is this enough to make a case and to attract student to the program?
- 5. My recommendation, comments/concerns regarding this proposal
 - a. Concern- Teachers in Indiana are no longer required to do master's degree to renew their licenses. Many teachers earn Professional Growth Points that can be approved by the school principal or director at minimal cost to them. I am not sure they are going to see growth in teachers taking this online master degree. They saw a growth in 2010 because those teachers we able to get pay raises by completing their master degree.
 - (http://www.doe.in.gov/licensing/renewing-indiana-educator-license)
 - b. The growth expectations of the program seem high. What are enrollment in the other program such the ones at Purdue, Ball State or University of Indianapolis?