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PROPOSAL: Rename the Early Learning & Intervention: Birth – Kindergarten (ELIJ) major to Early Childhood General and Special Education:

Birth through Kindergarten

## Background

The Undergraduate Studies Council of the Faculty Senate has approved the renaming of the Early Learning & Intervention: Birth – Kindergarten (ELIJ) major to Early Childhood General and Special Education: Birth through Kindergarten offered by the Department of Teaching, Learning, and Education Studies in the College of Education and Human Development.

Early Learning and Intervention is unfamiliar to the general public and the field of early childhood. The terms "early childhood" and "early childhood special education" are more accurate and match the Michigan Department of Education certification exam and endorsement name.

## Recommended Action

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