DATA SAY:
Students in this program must complete a capstone experience by either completing a portfolio during TE 6283 Practicum in Teacher Education or through taking written comprehensive exams. A majority of students choose the TE Practicum portfolio option. The practicum is an action research experience in which students implement an action research plan written in ECH 6773, Research in Early Childhood. Several students in the past year have failed written comprehensive examination. Writing skills are a primary concern.

There is currently much overlap between the MSE ECH and MS Services program. Development of the new umbrella MSE in Teacher Education will allow us to further separate the MS and MSE programs. Once the new MSE program is finalized we will determine what pathway to follow with the MS program.

SO WHAT:
Most of the EC Services content is taken online, which is a very different writing environment than proctored written comprehensive examinations. We are working to determine how to either improve writing skills in an online program or consider additional entrance assessments for writing.

HOW WE CHANGED:
We are still investigating options.

WHAT WE GOT:
No changes yet