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## **M E M O R A N D U M**

**Date:** December 6, 2024  
**To:** College of Education Faculty  
**From:** Krystal Baehr  
**Re:** Proposal Defense Announcement

**Fednold Thelisdort**, From the Department of **Leadership, Policy, and Lifelong Learning (LPLL)** will defend a dissertation proposal on **Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m. to be held via Microsoft Teams.**

[Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

**Dr. John Ferron** will chair the proposal defense. The title of the proposal is, “**Learning Analytics: A Contemporary Student Retention and Graduation Rates Framework for First-Year College Students in US Higher Education Institutions**”.

Dr. Amber Dumford serves as Major Professor. Members of the committee are Drs. Thomas Miller, Yi-Hsin Chen, and John Ferron.

A copy of the dissertation proposal is available in the Office of Graduate Support (EDU 320) for review by interested faculty members.

### **Disability Accommodations**

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