Physics Teacher Preparation—Brigham Young Universities Physics Departments efforts in Physics Teacher Training

DUANE MERRELL — Following BYU’s recent decision to shift shared responsibility of secondary science education programs into areas of each specific discipline, BYU’s College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences has taken on the role of preparing future junior high and high school teachers. To prepare teachers and to enhance the college’s physical science teacher education program the College of Physical Science was able to hire a full time faculty member. This position was made available with the shift of a faculty position from the McKay School of Education. This contributed talk will discuss the implementation of this shift of responsibility, the impact on physics and physical science teacher preparation and things we have learned along the way.

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