

Board Meeting
January 15, 2009

REDESIGNATE THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN COMMUNICATIONS,
COLLEGE OF MEDIA AND THE GRADUATE COLLEGE, URBANA

Action: Approve the Redesignation of the Doctor of Philosophy in
Communications, College of Media and the Graduate College, Urbana

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor at Urbana with the advice of the Urbana-Champaign Senate recommends approval of a proposal from the College of Media and the Graduate College to redesignate the Doctor of Philosophy in Communications as the Doctor of Philosophy in Communications and Media.

The redesignation of the Ph.D. in Communications as the Ph.D. in Communications and Media is the most accurate reflection of the new nomenclature designating the historical ties and the name of the degree's academic home.

"Communications" in the title reflects the name of the degree from its origin in 1947, while the addition of "and Media" indicates its location in the recently renamed College.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and Federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs with this recommendation. The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The President of the University recommends approval. This action is subject to further review and approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.