

Board Meeting
January 31, 2019

CONSOLIDATE AND REVISE THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LIBERAL ARTS
AND SCIENCES, MAJOR IN POLISH AND THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, MAJOR IN RUSSIAN, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL
ARTS AND SCIENCES, CHICAGO

Action: Consolidate and Revise the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Polish and the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Russian, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the advice of the Chicago Senate and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends the consolidation and revision of the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Polish and the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Russian.

The resulting Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Polish, Russian, and Central and Eastern European Studies is a program that incorporates the intellectual strengths of department faculty and makes possible a feasible faculty and course rotation, thereby facilitating student progress to degree in a timely fashion. The degree requires 120 hours in total, of which 27 hours are courses in the major. This includes two core courses (7 hours), an intermediate language II course in Polish, Russian, or Lithuanian and a course in either Central and Eastern European literary

analysis or cultural studies, and 20 hours in one of three concentrations: Polish Studies, Russian Studies, or Central and Eastern European Studies. The concentrations support the academic interests and professional goals of students, some of whom expressly want to specialize in either Polish Studies or Russian Studies, while others seek a broader education in Central and Eastern European Studies.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respect 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 Executive Vice President and 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.