Board Meeting July 14, 2005

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## ESTABLISH AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES PROGRAM, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, URBANA

Action: Approve the Establishment of the American Indian Studies ProgramFunding: No Funding Required

The Chancellor at Urbana with the advice of the Urbana-Champaign Senate recommends for approval a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish the American Indian Studies Program.

The principal objective of the American Indian Studies Program is to allow students, teachers, and scholars an avenue to study the experiences of American Indians and indigenous peoples in the Americas, especially with regard to their histories of law and government, society and culture, and language and literature. Resources for future growth of this program will be made available through internal reallocations.

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 in this recommendation. The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The President of the University recommends approval, pending further review by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.