

Approved by the Board of Trustees,
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DESIGNATE SANDI PORT ERRANT LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL LEARNING
CENTER AT GRANT HALL, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Naming of the Sandi Port Errant Language and Cultural Learning Center at Grant Hall, Chicago

Funding: No Funding Required

The Chancellor at Chicago has recommended the naming of the Sandi Port Errant Language and Cultural Learning Center at Grant Hall in recognition of Sidney L. Port's \$2.0 million gift. The naming is in memory of Mr. Port's late daughter. These funds will be used toward the remodeling and renovation of this 17,000 square foot, three-story building originally designed as a traditional classroom building.

The establishment of the Sandi Port Errant Language and Cultural Learning Center at Grant Hall is in line with the priorities of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) and will serve as an investment in cultural diversity and concrete expression of UIC's mission. Interest and demand for language and cultural competency have created both the need and opportunity to provide expanded, dedicated space for a comprehensive center.

The Sandi Port Errant Language and Cultural Learning Center at Grant Hall will be designed to create an environment conducive for faculty and students to interact in both formal and informal learning settings. It will also house an updated LAS language laboratory and writing center. Classroom spaces will be designed using "smart

technologies” allowing for effective interaction between students and faculty. Incorporating satellite technologies, students will have access to live television broadcasts from around the world.

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.

The President of the University recommends approval.