

PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON ACTIONS OF THE SENATES

Establish an Undergraduate Minor in Earth, Society, and Environment, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish an undergraduate minor in Earth, Society, and Environment.

The proposed undergraduate minor will provide a needed academic option in environmental studies. Currently the only minor available in Liberal Arts and Sciences that addresses environmental studies is the competitive Environmental Fellowship Program. This proposal seeks to establish a broadly available minor focused on environmental studies.

Revise the Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering, College of Engineering, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Engineering to revise the Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering.

The proposed revision includes changing the requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering by reducing the number of total hours from 132 to 128 as recommended by the College Executive Committee. All engineering undergraduate programs are targeting 128 hours for graduation.

Revise the Bachelor of Science Degree in General Engineering, College of Engineering,
Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Engineering to revise the Bachelor of Science Degree in General Engineering.

The proposed revision includes changing the requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in General Engineering by reducing the number of total hours from 131 to 128 as recommended by the College Executive Committee. All engineering undergraduate programs are targeting 128 hours for graduation.

Establish a Graduate Certificate in Teaching English,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield

The Springfield Senate has approved a proposal from the Department of English within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish a Graduate Certificate in Teaching English.

The purpose of this graduate certification is to reinforce the analytic and practical skills necessary for successfully teaching English Studies in secondary and post-secondary institutions, including community colleges. The certificate will professionalize these students and enhance their careers at the secondary and post-secondary level, while preparing them to make better informed decisions about pursuing advanced degrees in English. It is expected that this 18 hour certificate, offered in an on-ground or blended format, will attract local and regional students.