

Board Meeting  
July 23, 2015

TRANSFER THE ILLINOIS PROGRAM FOR RESEARCH IN THE HUMANITIES,  
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, URBANA

**Action:** Transfer the Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

**Funding:** No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the advice of the Urbana-Champaign Senate recommends approval of a proposal to transfer the Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research.

The Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities (IPRH) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign was established in 1997 to promote interdisciplinary study in the humanities, arts, and social sciences. IPRH grants fellowships to Illinois faculty and graduate students, coordinates and hosts numerous public lectures, symposia, and panel discussions on a wide variety of topics, and provides awards that recognize excellence in humanities research to faculty and students. IPRH has no tenured or tenure-track staff, and its budget includes no lines for faculty. The transfer of the IPRH was recommended by the Interdisciplinary Working Group for the Humanities, a faculty committee appointed by the Vice Chancellor for Research. It is

supported by both the IPRH Advisory Committee and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Humanities Council. Under the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, the IPRH will continue to serve the interdisciplinary interests of faculty members and units across campus. The IPRH Advisory Committee will include representation from disciplines and units in colleges other than Liberal Arts and Sciences. The new reporting structure will be similar to that of other units with campus-wide missions that are housed administratively in the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research.

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.