

Board Meeting
July 25, 2013

RENAME THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH, COLLEGE OF APPLIED
HEALTH SCIENCES, URBANA

Action: Rename the Bachelor of Science in Health, College of Applied Health 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 from the College of Applied Health Sciences to rename the Bachelor of Science in Health as the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Health Sciences.

The College seeks to rename the degree as Interdisciplinary Health Sciences to better reflect the interdisciplinary nature of the program. The health needs of a diverse society are best served by individuals who possess interdisciplinary health sciences competence and are prepared to study and apply knowledge across traditional fields of knowledge. The graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Health have gone on to pursue graduate degrees in healthcare administration, physical and occupational therapy, chiropractic care, nursing, public health, and medicine. As the College monitors the post-graduation plans of students and alumni, it has become apparent that the

interdisciplinary nature of the Health curriculum is a valuable asset for the assessment of their educational background. This name change highlights that asset.

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.