ESTABLISH THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS, COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT, SPRINGFIELD

Action: Approve the Establishment of the Bachelor of Science in Management

Information Systems, College of Business and Management, Springfield

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor at Springfield with the advice of the Springfield Senate recommends approval of a proposal from the College of Business and Management to establish the Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems.

The establishment of the undergraduate major in Management Information Systems (MIS) will provide students with a business and information systems background which can be used to analyze, design, manage, and implement complex information and decision-support systems and communication networks. The MIS major will provide students with a foundation in business and skills in management information systems. The degree will have a business focus with a "systems application set of skills" thereby bridging the gap between technical and business specialists.

The MIS degree program will foster a collaborative learning environment to prepare graduates for positions in the private and public sector capable of successfully responding to the business and organizational environment in a knowledge-based economy. The current global economy relies heavily on global network infrastructure

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and information processing. The demand for graduates of the program exists locally, nationally, and internationally.

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 Senate 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.