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REDESIGNATE THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES
IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES,
URBANA

Action: Approve the Redesignation of the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences in International Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor at Urbana with the advice of the Urbana-Champaign Senate recommends approval of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to redesignate the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences (BALAS) in International Studies as the BALAS in Global Studies.

The redesignation from International Studies to Global Studies reflects more accurately the scope and purpose of the proposed revised program of study and distinguishes this program from, as well as complements, those that have an area or regional focus as well as enhancing the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences emphasis on global learning as promoted in the Global Studies Initiative.

The proposed revisions accompanying the redesignation reflect the standard requirements and programmatic structures that have emerged within the field, define specific global learning goals that are targeted and integrated throughout the set of major

requirements, and exceed requirements of most peer programs by offering a research-based capstone experience in which students pursue an independent research project based on their thematic area.

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.