

Board Meeting
March 13, 2007

ELIMINATE THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES,
MAJOR IN ART HISTORY, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES,
CHICAGO

Action: Approve the Elimination of the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Art History, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago

Funding: No Funding Required

The Chancellor at Chicago with the advice of the Chicago Senate, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and the College of Architecture and the Arts, recommends the elimination of the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Art History, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS).

Currently, the Chicago campus offers both a Bachelor of Arts in Art History through the College of Architecture and the Arts and a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Art History, through the College of LAS. The presence of both programs has been confusing to student applicants, particularly because admissions criteria to the program in the College of Architecture and the Arts are more rigorous than those in LAS, resulting in a two-tiered system. General education requirements for the two programs require students to have advisors in both colleges, contributing further to the confusion of students. The offering of a single program will

allow faculty to provide closer academic guidance than is currently the case and ensure a clearer understanding of the curriculum for students and applicants.

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 University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The President of the University concurs. This action is subject to further review and approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.