Board Meeting May 19, 2005

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ESTABLISH THE EUROPEAN UNION CENTER, INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND STUDIES, URBANA

Action: Establishment of the European Union Center, International Programs and

Studies, Urbana

Funding: No Funding Required

The Chancellor Designate at Urbana with the advice of the Urbana-Champaign Senate recommends for approval a proposal from International Programs and Studies for the establishment of the European Union Center.

The principal objective of the European Union Center is to serve as a bridge of exchange and understanding between residents of the United States and members of the European Union. The Center brings together faculty and students from across campus to promote the study of the European Union, its institutions and policies, and European Union - United States relations. The Center is a focal point on campus for teaching, research, and outreach programs on the European Union. Title **W** <u>VI</u> funds allow the Center to support development of new courses with European Union content in undergraduate, graduate, and professional degree programs, support thematic conferences and workshops, expand UIUC library resources on the European Union, and incorporate European Union curriculum into K-12 teacher training workshops.

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 in this recommendation.

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

The President of the University recommends approval, pending further review by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.