PRESIDENT’S REPORT ON ACTIONS OF THE SENATE

Establish a Graduate Minor in Corporate Governance and International Business,
Graduate College and the College of Business, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the Graduate College and the College of Business to establish a graduate minor in Corporate Governance and International Business.

The proposed graduate minor will consist of 12 hours of International Business and Governance coursework and can be tailored for specific career goals of students. The minor will focus on developing leaders in various business fields to prepare students who are interested in working in multinational companies with subsidiaries in emerging markets and global professional service firms such as accounting or consulting firms who operate in the international arena. Although the minor is designed for the M.S. in Accountancy, students from other graduate programs will be able to minor in this area with the department’s consent.

Establish a Graduate Minor in Asian American Studies, Graduate College and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the Graduate College and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish a graduate minor in Asian American Studies.
The proposed graduate minor offers training in Asian American theories and methodologies for graduate students who wish to incorporate Asian American Studies into their degree work. The minor provides students with a strong background in the history and culture of Asian Americans and a theoretical and methodological foundation in social scientific and humanistic approaches. The program will enable students to access the historical and contemporary experiences of Asian Americans in local, national, and global contexts, and provides training in comparative and interdisciplinary methodologies.

**Rename the Concentration in Sports Management as Sport Management, College of Applied Health Sciences, Urbana**

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Applied Health Sciences to rename the concentration in Sports Management as Sport Management.

The proposed name “Sport Management” has become the preferred label in this field. The change would provide clarity for the department, students, the general public, and other academic institutions.

**Revise the Bachelor of Science in Animal Sciences, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, Urbana**

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences to revise the Bachelor of Science in Animal Sciences.
The proposed revision includes a core curriculum of Animal Science courses that students complete in the freshman and sophomore years; a specialization curriculum in which students select from a set of Animal Science courses during their junior and senior years according to the student’s interests and career goals; and a demonstration of learning in which students participate in experiential activities. The proposal eliminates the existing concentrations: Animal Business, Management, and Industry; Companion, Recreational and Laboratory Animal Science; Food Animal Science; and Science, Biotechnology, and Pre-Veterinary Medicine. Three new concentrations are proposed: Technology and Management; Companion Animal and Equine Science; and Science, Pre-Veterinary and Medical.

Revised Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biological Engineering, College of Engineering, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Engineering to revise the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biological Engineering.

The proposed revision eliminates the current Concentration in Food and Bioprocess Engineering and establishes new concentrations in Agricultural Engineering and Biological Engineering. The Agricultural and Biological Engineering majors will be required to choose one of two distinct concentration paths for the degree; the degree will require 128 hours. The Agricultural Engineering Concentration focuses on the practice of engineering primarily in the agricultural domain and the Biological Engineering Concentration focuses on the practice of engineering in the realm of living systems.
Revise the Bachelor of Science in Bioengineering, College of Engineering, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Engineering to revise the Bachelor of Science in Bioengineering.

The proposed revisions include updating the curriculum to incorporate core bioengineering courses that have been developed; and reducing the number of total hours from 132 to 128 as recommended by the College Executive Committee. The revision also addresses a section of the curriculum comprised of upper level engineering courses for which most bioengineering students do not have sufficient prerequisite content.

Revise the Organizational Structure of the Institute of Natural Resource Sustainability, Urbana

The Chancellor at Urbana has approved a request to revise the organizational structure of the Institute of Natural Resource Sustainability to include the Illinois State Archaeological Survey. Originally approved by the Board of Trustees at the July 24, 2008, meeting, the INRS consisted of four distinct divisions: Illinois State Geological Survey; Illinois Natural History Survey; Illinois State Water Survey; and the Illinois Sustainable Technology Center.

The Illinois State Archaeological Survey is composed of the Illinois Transportation Archaeological Research Program and the Ancient Technologies and Archaeological Materials Program formerly housed in the Department of Anthropology. The inclusion of the fifth division expands the Institute’s capacity to provide a leadership role in the preservation, protection, and interpretation of the State’s rich cultural heritage.
Eliminate the Undergraduate Minor in Food and Bioprocess Engineering, College of Engineering, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the College of Engineering to eliminate the undergraduate minor in Food and Bioprocess Engineering.

The elimination of the minor is proposed due to a restructuring of the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biological Engineering and very small enrollment numbers for the minor over the last ten years. Students interested in the food and bioprocess engineering domain will be able to specialize in Food and Bioprocess Engineering within the Biological Engineering Concentration in the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biological Engineering.

Establish a Concentration in Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology, Master of Science in Public Health and Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health, School of Public Health, Chicago

The Chicago Senate with the recommendation of the Graduate College, the School of Public Health, and its Divisions of Epidemiology and Biostatistics and Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, has approved the establishment of the concentration in Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology within the Master of Science in Public Health and the Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health programs.

This concentration is intended to provide specialized training to enable students to: describe and characterize the major known determinants of occupational and environmental diseases and injuries; describe, locate, analyze, and interpret existing data relevant to occupational and environmental diseases and injuries; understand the
strengths and weaknesses of alternative epidemiology study designs used in the context of occupational and environmental epidemiological research; and to work within a multidisciplinary team of environmental health scientists, industrial hygienists, toxicologists, statisticians, physicians, and nurses in studying the factors involved in the etiology of occupational and environmental diseases and injuries. Doctoral students will further be able to design, conduct, and analyze epidemiological studies testing hypotheses relevant for understanding the etiology of occupational and environmental diseases and injuries.

The concentration in Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology provides curriculum guidance to those students who are interested in the field.

**Revise and Rename the Minor in Classical Civilization as the Minor in Classical Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago**

The Chicago Senate with the recommendation of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and its Department of Classics and Mediterranean Studies, has approved the revision and renaming of the minor in Classical Civilization as the minor in Classical Studies.

The renaming of the undergraduate minor in Classical Civilization as the minor in Classical Studies matches the name change proposed to the major program of study. The intention of the name change is to broaden the scope of the program. The term "Classical Civilization," as it is commonly applied throughout the field, denotes the study of Classical literature, culture, and history through the medium of English translations. The renaming signifies the addition of advanced language study in Ancient
Greek or Latin as an option for students who want to prepare for graduate school by reading texts not exclusively in English, but in the original languages.

Establish the Interdepartmental Graduate Concentration in Violence Studies, Chicago

The Chicago Senate with the recommendation of the Graduate College, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and its Department of Criminology, Law and Justice, Department of Psychology, Department of Political Science, and Gender and Women’s Studies Program, along with the Jane Addams College of Social Work and the School of Public Health, has approved the establishment of the interdepartmental graduate concentration in Violence Studies.

Violence is a major public health and social problem. A graduate concentration in violence studies is needed at the Chicago campus to provide students with a set of courses that introduce them to various forms of violence and their study from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. By bringing these classes together into an organized concentration of graduate study to be jointly administered by the Department of Criminology, Law and Justice and the Jane Addams College of Social Work, students will have the opportunity to acquire substantive knowledge of various forms of interpersonal violence from a broad set of theoretical perspectives.

Composed of courses from multiple disciplines, this 11-credit hour concentration will provide students with a holistic view of the problem of violence in society and will deepen their knowledge and skill set to address it. Students who complete the concentration will be broadly trained to apply theories and methods from
multidisciplinary perspectives to critically analyze and effectively respond to various types of violence in society through innovative programs of research, policy development, treatment, and prevention.

Establish a Minor in Managerial Skills, 
College of Business Administration, Chicago

The Chicago Senate with the recommendation of the College of Business Administration has approved the establishment of a minor in Managerial Skills.

Effective management of people and projects is essential for private, public and non-profit organizations in all fields. Regardless of their major discipline, students who aspire to leadership roles in their work life will need strong managerial skills in order to advance. This undergraduate minor, with its focus on the skills related to managing people and projects in organizations, enhances the knowledge and marketability of students in the College of Business Administration and other UIC colleges.

Requiring a total of 12 hours, coursework included in this minor provides an overview of the key concepts related to how individuals and groups interact to achieve organizational goals.

Rename the Minor in Business Statistics as the Minor in Business Analytics, 
College of Business Administration, Chicago

The Chicago Senate with the recommendation of the College of Business Administration and its Department of Information and Decision Sciences has approved the renaming of the minor in Business Statistics as the minor in Business Analytics.
The name change from Business Statistics to Business Analytics reflects the broader application of business statistics, data mining, and related analytical approaches to address business problems. Also, the word "statistics" is really two words, statistics (plural) -- facts and figures; and statistics (singular) -- the methodology for dealing with statistics (plural). For most people, the word "statistics" first brings to mind statistics (plural). The name Business Analytics avoids this and is more encompassing.

Eliminate the Master of Public Administration Concentration in Criminal Justice, College of Public Affairs and Administration, Springfield

The Springfield Senate with the recommendation of the College of Public Affairs and Administration has approved the elimination of the Master of Public Administration (MPA) Concentration in Criminal Justice. Courses for the criminal justice concentration have not been offered for at least three years because the Department of Criminal Justice has only sufficient faculty to teach undergraduate courses due to a high number of undergraduate majors. There are currently no MPA students enrolled in the criminal justice concentration.