

Board Meeting
May 22, 2008

REDESIGNATE THE MASTER OF FINE ARTS IN FILM/ANIMATION/VIDEO,
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND THE ARTS, CHICAGO

Action: Approve the Redesignation of the Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) in Film/Animation/Video as the Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) in Moving Image, College of Architecture and the Arts, Chicago

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Interim Chancellor at Chicago with the advice of the Chicago Senate, the Graduate College, and the College of Architecture and the Arts recommends approval to redesignate the Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) in Film/Animation/Video as the Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) in Moving Image, College of Architecture and the Arts, Chicago.

The School of Art and Design in the College of Architecture and the Arts plans to rename the M.F.A. degree program to more effectively and accurately describe the nature and mission of the curriculum and teaching philosophy of the program. The name change is intended to reflect shifts in contemporary art and industry practices. With digital technology, the once separate categories--film, video, and animation--have now merged. The term "moving image" encompasses broader areas of application, including installation, interactive media, and sound. The M.F.A. degree redesignation as

Moving Image is also consistent with the undergraduate degree which is currently titled the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Moving Image.

The degree requirements for the M.F.A. will remain the same.

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.