

Board Meeting
November 12, 2009

PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON ACTION OF THE SENATE

Establish an Undergraduate Minor in the Experiential and Service Learning Programs Unit, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Springfield

The Springfield Senate has approved a proposal from the Experiential and Service Learning Programs Unit within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish a 15 to 17 credit hour Undergraduate Minor in Social Responsibility and Leadership Development.

The Social Responsibility and Leadership Development minor builds on thirty-five years of experience with experiential learning and five years with engaged citizenship as part of undergraduate general education, but also reflects efforts and courses at UIS in leadership development. The minor is an interdisciplinary program designed to invite students of all majors to explore leadership in the context of social issues and structures. Two courses in the minor will include service-learning components that invite students to apply classroom learning to settings in the broader community (local, national, and global) through direct services, advocacy, or empowerment.