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RENAME THE MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHER LEADERSHIP, COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, SPRINGFIELD

Action: Rename the Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership, College of Education and Human Services

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Springfield, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the advice of the Springfield Senate recommends approval of renaming the Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership to the Master of Arts in Education in the College of Education and Human Services.

The Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership degree title is similar to the newly established Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Teacher Leadership *Endorsement*. In order to avoid confusion, changing the degree name to the Master of Arts in Education will provide a clear separation between the Springfield campus graduate degree and the ISBE endorsement. The revised name is also expected to have broader appeal to potential students, as demand for Teacher Leadership degrees has decreased nationally. The curriculum content will remain the same, and is similar to the curricula of M.A. degrees in Education at other institutions.

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.