

Board Meeting
May 17, 2018

ESTABLISH THE PROGRAM IN MUSEUM AND EXHIBITION STUDIES,
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN, AND THE ARTS AND THE
GRADUATE COLLEGE, CHICAGO

Action: Establish the Program in Museum and Exhibition Studies, College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts and the Graduate College

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the advice of the Chicago Senate; the College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts; and the Graduate College recommends the establishment of the Program in Museum and Exhibition Studies.

The University of Illinois at Chicago has offered the Master of Arts in Museum and Exhibition Studies since Fall 2010. This interdisciplinary graduate degree is currently housed in the Department of Art History in the School of Art and Art History, but it is not solely or primarily an art historical program. The Program in Museum and Exhibition Studies (MUSE) will be housed in the School of Art and Art History and will function as an independent unit led by a director. The Program in MUSE will serve as the tenure home for MUSE faculty who have terminal degrees from a variety of disciplines. The Master of Arts in Museum and Exhibition Studies will be remapped from the Department in Art History to the Program in MUSE. The establishment of a

Program in MUSE will provide coherence to the curriculum and an institutional base for faculty research and hiring in the field.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respect 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 Executive Vice President and 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.