Approved by the Board of Trustees

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# APPOINT DEAN, COLLEGE OF HEALTH, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY, SPRINGFIELD

**Action:** Appoint Dean, College of Health, Science, and Technology

**Funding:** State appropriated funds

The chancellor, University of Illinois Springfield, and vice president, University of Illinois System, recommends the appointment of J. Travis Bland, as dean of the College of Health, Science, and Technology.

Effective July 1, 2025, Dr. Bland will be appointed dean, College of Health, Science, and Technology, on an academic year 12-month service basis, on 100 percent time at an annual salary of $192,500. This position reports to the vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, University of Illinois Springfield. Dr. Bland has been serving as interim dean, College of Health, Science, and Technology since July 1, 2023.

In addition, Dr. Bland will continue to hold a zero percent non-salaried, tenured faculty appointment at the rank of associate professor in the School of Public Management and Policy.

Prior to his appointment as interim dean, College of Health, Science, and Technology, Dr. Bland served from 2020 through 2023 as the associate dean of the College of Public Affairs and Education.

Dr. Bland succeeded Mark Anderson, who served as interim dean through June 30, 2023.

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 executive vice president and vice president for academic affairs concurs.

The president of the University of Illinois System recommends approval.

(A biographical sketch follows.)

J. Travis Bland

Education:

Radford University, VA, BS, 2001

Virginia Tech, MPA, 2007

Virginia Tech, PhD, 2011

Professional or Other Experience:

University of Illinois, Springfield, 2012-date, associate professor of public administration; 2015-17, associate director, Doctor of Public Administration Program; 2017-23, director, Doctor of Public Administration Program; 2020-23, associate dean, College of Public Affairs and Education; 2020-22, division chair, Criminology and Criminal Justice and Department of Legal Studies; 2021-date, Executive Committee, School of Public Management and Policy; 2023-date, interim dean, College of Health, Science, and Technology.

Central Illinois American Society for Public Administration, council member, 2013-23.