

Board Meeting
November 12, 2015

REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT INFORMATION
SYSTEMS, COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT, SPRINGFIELD

Action: Reorganize the Department of Management Information Systems, College of Business and Management

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Springfield, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the concurrence of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost and with the advice of the Dean of the College of Business and Management recommends approval to reorganize the Department of Management Information Systems from its present structure of a department organized with a chair to a department organized with a head.

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 4, of the University of Illinois *Statutes*, on June 8, 2015, the Department of Management Information Systems affirmed that a majority of faculty in the Department voted to change their mode of governance from a chairpersonship to a headship.

After conferring with the department and verifying the department vote, the Dean of the College recommends a change from department chair to department head.

The UIS Department of Management Information Systems offers B.S. and M.S. degrees, and currently has the third highest enrollment on campus. The Department of

Management Information Systems has demonstrated a strong capacity for productive planning and resource management, as well as ongoing interest in establishing beneficial partnerships and undertaking significant initiatives for program development and growth. The specified change in governance structure will provide the Department with strong and stable structural leadership, which is appropriate for and beneficial to the advancement of a department of its size and complexity. Under the department head model, the Department will have full-time administrative coverage for 11 months annually. Any additional salary costs associated with this change in department governance structure will be covered by the College of Business and Management.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all materials 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 President of the University recommends approval.