

PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON ACTIONS OF THE SENATES

Eliminate the Concentration in Entrepreneurship in the Bachelor of Science in Management, Gies College of Business, Urbana

The Urbana-Champaign Senate has approved a proposal from the Gies College of Business to eliminate the Entrepreneurship concentration from the Bachelor of Science in Management. As outlined in a companion action item, the college is seeking to replace this concentration by establishing a Bachelor of Science in Strategic Business Development and Entrepreneurship. The Entrepreneurship concentration has enrolled between 10 to 20 students in recent years and has attracted little distinct attention from recruiters. The academic content of the existing concentration has not changed to reflect the role of technology and new business and new industry creation. Replacing the Entrepreneurship concentration within the B.S. in Management with a B.S. in Strategic Business Development and Entrepreneurship was suggested in a departmental review by the Department of Business Administration. The new program allows for expanded course offerings, a focus on technology and innovation, and additional experiential learning opportunities. With the current entrepreneurship concentration essentially outgrowing existence as a concentration within a major, the department and college seek to eliminate it at this time.

Establish the Minor in Life Science Visualization, College of Applied Health Sciences,
Chicago

The Chicago Senate with the recommendation of the College of Applied Health Sciences has approved the establishment of the Minor in Life Science Visualization.

Life science visualization is the important process of interpreting or translating the biomedical sciences into visual form. Those who can leverage both their scientific knowledge and artistic skill to translate complex information into a visual story that explains and teaches will have an advantage when presenting their research or seeking employment.

The Minor in Life Science Visualization will empower students who wish to complement a major area of study with concentrated study in science visualization for personal development and the expansion of career opportunities. It will also prepare students who are interested in pursuing graduate study in biomedical visualization. UIC offers a master's degree in this field, one of only four accredited programs in North America. The minor is open to undergraduates from any college, who meet the following prerequisites: demonstration of basic drawing competency through a portfolio review, and the completion of two courses (biology of cells and organisms, and introduction to drawing). The minor is comprised of 17 credit hours, four required courses in anatomy and physiology, visualization techniques for education and communication in life science, and biological or anatomical drawing; and one selective course.