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# ELIMINATE THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES IN BIOCHEMISTRY, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, URBANA

**Action:** Eliminate the Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts and Sciences in

Biochemistry, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

**Funding:** No funding impact is expected.

The Chancellor, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois with the advice of the Urbana-Champaign Senate recommends approval of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to eliminate the Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts and Sciences in Biochemistry (BSLAS in Biochemistry).

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will continue to offer the Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry (B.S. in Biochemistry), the curriculum of which is essentially the same as the BSLAS in Biochemistry. Elimination via phasedown of the BSLAS version will end what was a redundant offering. During phasedown, the one student currently enrolled in the BSLAS in Biochemistry will be able to finish that degree, with no new students being admitted. When the enrolled student has graduated, the BSLAS in Biochemistry will be eliminated.

There is no impact on funding, facilities, libraries, or technology. Faculty and staff working with this program also work with the B.S. in Biochemistry. Since the B.S. in Biochemistry is basically the same curriculum and there is only one student enrolled in the BSLAS in Biochemistry, there will be no impact on class sizes or enrollments.

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 Interim 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 of Illinois System recommends approval. This action is subject to further review by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.