## UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE

## Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Establish a Minor in Rehabilitation Services, College of Education and Human Services

**WHEREAS,** the College of Education and Human Services has proposed a minor in Rehabilitation Services in the Rehabilitation Institute to provide students a unique opportunity to receive broad rehabilitation education from a program that is nationally recognized; and

**WHEREAS**, the minor in Rehabilitation Services will enable students pursuing a degree in one of the general social and human service areas to acquire a deeper and more comprehensive knowledge of the rehabilitation field than they would otherwise be able to access; and for those students with a personal interest in disability or diversity issues, the minor will provide an opportunity to service a population whose membership includes approximately 54 million people nationwide and affects nearly every family in some way; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Council on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE) recognizes the program at Southern Illinois University as the only one in Illinois to offer a generalist degree in Rehabilitation Services, it is uniquely positioned to offer a minor to students who are interested in working with individuals with disabilities.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Faculty Senate recommend approval of the RME to Establish a Minor in Rehabilitation Services.

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